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18.2.22

Dear Parents and Carers,

Courtenay Class – Trip to Buckfast Abbey 7.4.22

We are excited to be able to plan a very special trip for Courtenay class to Buckfast Abbey on Thursday 7th April 2022.

The children will be accompanied by our staff and travel by coach to the Abbey where they will take part in 2 exciting Easter themed activities.

- **Threads of Easter** - This is an unusual way to explore the Easter Story and the ideas which come from it. The tour is conducted with a member of the Education Department. Pupils will be shown around the Abbey Church at Buckfast. As well as the physical journey around the building, the journey also takes the form of a thread which each pupil carries. At each stop along their journey pupils hear the Easter Story from Palm Sunday to Easter Day and are encouraged to explore for themselves their own responses and experiences. For each idea a bead is added to the thread of our journey making an attractive souvenir for each person to take away with them. 'Silence beads' are also added to the thread at appropriate points to encourage pupils to recognise those times when it is important to be quiet and still. The children get to take home their beads and a stained glass decoration.
- **Extraordinary Easter Egg Hunt** The children will hunt giant Easter eggs in the Abbey grounds and Church. Each egg contains activities, games, puzzles and reflections relating to Easter themes such as friendship, love, bravery and forgiveness. There maybe even a little chocolate treat at the end!



The trip combines aspects of our school values of Love and Compassion through discussions and reflections on the Easter story. It also reflects our RE curriculum intent, which inspires children to gain an understanding of what people believe and the difference that this makes to the world in which they live. At All Saints Marsh, our teaching and learning continues to encourage the children to develop a cultural awareness of what it means to live in this marvellous, diverse world.



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We ask that the children come to school wearing their school uniform with sensible shoes for walking, a rain coat and a packed lunch.

To cover the cost of the trip it is necessary to ask for a voluntary contribution of £11.10 per child. Children will not be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have made a voluntary contribution. The activity can only take place if there are sufficient voluntary contributions. Please complete the permission slip below if you would like your child to attend.

I (parent name) give permission for (child name) to participate in the Buckfast Abbey trip on 7.4.22. Payment is due via School Money and we ask that contributions are paid by Friday 25th March when a decision on the viability of this event will be made. If the event does not take place donations will be refunded.

If your child is entitled to FSM and you would like the school to order a packed lunch please select a sandwich filling.

The options are cheese / ham or tuna.

The trip will be conducted within our's and the Abbey's COVID risk assessments.

Yours sincerely

Miss Massey

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Courtenay Class Teacher