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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Visit to Smethwick – Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara & Holy Trinity Church

As part of the PSHCE and RE curriculum, a special visit has been arranged for Year 7 students. It will take place on the next curriculum day, Wednesday, 30th January 2019. The students will visit two places of worship in Smethwick: the Holy Trinity Church and Guru Nanak Sikh Gurdwara. As a school we have been running such trips for over 5 years.

The purpose of this visit is to give students an insight into different forms of contemporary spirituality and the role these buildings play in a multi-cultural community within Britain. The trip is intended to help students experience different faiths and cultures within an urban environment and also highlight the respect shown to the buildings and to the people who worship there.

Students will need to wear full school uniform and bear in mind that many activities will involve sitting on the floor. They must also have their legs completely covered by either trousers or tights. They will need to bring a head covering which can be a scarf, shawl, bandana or similar to enter the Gurdwara. They **must not** bring a hat, cap or use a hood.

There is **no need to bring a packed lunch** as food will be provided, free of charge, by the Gurdwara. If this is an issue e.g. allergies, please email Mr Lee at plee@marywebbschool.com as soon as possible. Food containing meat, fish or egg must **not** be taken into the Gurdwara.

The group will travel by coach leaving school at 9.00 am and returning by 3.15 pm. Students will be accompanied by members of staff.

You are invited to make a voluntary contribution of £5.00 towards the cost of this visit. We must, however, inform you that as the school could not bear the whole cost of the visit, the visit will not take place unless all parents/carers who are able, are willing to contribute. If you find it difficult to meet this cost, you are invited to contact the School Business Manager in confidence to discuss payment. Students who receive free school meals will be supported through the pupil premium fund allocated to the school. This visit is being heavily subsidised by the school.

Please complete the consent slip below and return it to the school office by Friday, 25th January 2019.

Yours sincerely

P Lee

G Davies

P Salmon

Mr P Lee
Subject Leader, Humanities

Mr G Davies
Assistant Headteacher

Mr P Salmon
School Business Manager

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Name of Student: Form:

- I give permission for my son/daughter to take part in the above visit.
- I enclose a voluntary contribution of £5 cash/cheque (*cheques should be made payable to 'Mary Webb School' - please write the student's name and form on back of cheque.*)
- I do not wish to contribute
- I give / do not give* permission for my child to have the **free lunch** provided with the Gurdwara (*this is normally chips and beans*)
**Please delete as necessary*
- I give / do not give* permission for my child to sample some of the **authentic food** on offer from the Gurdwara (*lentils, yoghurt, vegetable curry, chapatti, rice pudding – all may contain nuts, gluten and dairy*)
**Please delete as necessary*
- I agree to authorise any member of staff during the course of this activity to approve such medical treatment for my son/daughter as is deemed necessary in an emergency or upon the advice of a qualified medical practitioner, in the event that I cannot be contacted.

Name of Parent/Carer: Signed:

Date:

For office use only			
Receipts	£	Date	Signed
Cheque			
Cash			