



Tuesday 13th September 2016

Dear Parents,

Re: Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery Visit Monday, September 26th 2016

As part of our Anglo-Saxon history study, Classes 3 and 4 will be visiting the Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery on Monday, September 26th 2016. The children will have the opportunity to experience aspects of Anglo-Saxon life through a number of hands-on activities as well as reconstructions, including learning about the Staffordshire Hoard, the largest hoard of Anglo-Saxon treasure ever found. Pupils will dig up and investigate objects whilst learning about how the hoard was found. They will use real conservation techniques to clean and reconstruct objects and conduct scientific experiments and discover the raw materials and techniques used to create the treasures of the Staffordshire Hoard. Pupils will then get a chance to work with metal to create their own patterns inspired by the work of Anglo-Saxon metalworkers.

We will be travelling to and from Birmingham by coach, which will leave here shortly after 9 a.m., returning again in time for the close of the school day.

In order for the trip to take place we need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £6.00 per child. This represents half of the cost for the full day; the other half is to be paid from PTA funds. There is no obligation for you to pay, but if we do not receive contributions from the majority of the class, we will have to cancel the trip. Please speak to me or Mrs Hendry, in confidence, if paying will cause a problem for you. Payment may be made by cash, cheque (payable to Temple Grafton School) or via School Money. A notification will be sent to you from School Money as soon as the payment is available.

All pupils will be required to wear school uniform and take with them a packed lunch (including non-fizzy drink) and snack. Everyone will carry their own provisions and so we would advise that lunches be packed in disposable bags.

We would very much welcome any parents/grandparents who are available and would like to accompany us on our trip. Unfortunately, due to restrictions in coach size, we will not be able to provide transport for volunteers as the coach available will only seat the children and staff. Volunteers will need to arrange their own transport to the museum, we suggest a car share or travelling by train. Please let the office know if you are able to help.

To support us with the organisation and planning for this trip, could you please complete and sign the attached permission slip and return it to school by **Wednesday, 21st September 2016**. Many thanks for your support.

Mrs Gray

**If you, your child or any member of your family have difficulty in accessing the school and/or the school's facilities and services,