













15th December 2023

Mrs. Rudge

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Year 5 Trip to The Gurudwara**

Year 5 children have been learning about the Sikh religion. The intent of this RE disposition is to develop an understanding of how people of the Sikh faith worship and how they serve their communities, by taking the children to the Sikh Gurudwara in Handsworth, Birmingham on Tuesday morning 27<sup>th</sup> February and Thursday morning 29<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

The classes will be visiting the Gurudwara on the following days:

Y5.9 and half of Y5.8 on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> February leaving school at 9.30 am and returning at approx. 12.00 pm. Y5.7 and half of Y5.8 on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> February leaving school at 9.30 am and returning at approx. 12.00 pm.

The cost for the trip is £7.40 which covers the cost of transport. The experienced education guides at the Gurudwara will give the children a free tour and talk.

There is no requirement for children to bring any form of food or packed lunch as it will be ensured that we arrive back at school, promptly, in time for lunch. During this week, it is also Y5.9's swimming week. Please note that these swimming lessons will still take place and children will need to bring swimming kit on this day (27<sup>th</sup> February 2024).

As part of the Sikh hospitality, all guests are offered some 'parshad' which is a sweet mixture of butter, wholemeal flour, sugar and water. This is distributed as a blessing. The children are also offered a biscuit and a drink refreshment at the end of the visit. These offerings are both optional. Children should wear their full school uniform, sensible shoes and a waterproof coat. They will also need to wear a hat or head scarf in the Gurudwara as a sign of respect (No baseball caps please).

Payment can be made via Scopay, using your individual logins. The payment for this trip must be made by Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> February. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Ware Mr. Hayfield Mr. Hurley