Information for Year 5&6 London Trip

Timings

We are aiming to leave Stanhope at 6:30am on 16^{th} June to be in London for lunch time. This will give us an opportunity to ride the London Eye and the Thames Clipper before travelling to our accommodation for the evening. On the 17^{th} we will have breakfast at the accommodation before travelling into London to visit the Natural History Museum. We will have a packed lunch (hopefully in Hyde Park, weather permitting) before setting off. We will aim to leave London by 1:30pm on the 17^{th} to be back in Stanhope by 7:30pm. An estimated time of arrival will be shared with parents and carers on the afternoon of the 17^{th} June.

Mobile Phones

Children will not be permitted to bring any electrical devices on the trip, including mobile phones. We understand parents will want to keep up to date with the exciting activities the children will be taking part in, so we will keep our Facebook page updated throughout the trip.

Items to bring

Children will not be wearing school uniform on the trip. We will be spending time both indoors and outdoors so it would be advisable to pack clothes which are suitable for a range of weather conditions (it is England after all). As the trip is in June we ask that children bring hats and sun cream as well as a waterproof jacket and comfortable footwear for exploring London. One small suitcase and one small or day sized rucksack will be sufficient for a one-night stay. The rucksack will be essential for our days out.

Children are able to bring a small game, book or activity with them to use on the bus journey, but no electronics.

Some children have special items that they sleep with. Teddies etc are welcome on the trip as long as they are small enough to fit in their bags.

We will be visiting the National History Museum which does have a gift shop. Children may bring a small amount of spending money with them, but this must be kept under £30.

<u>Accommodation</u>

We will be staying in YHA London Lee Valley where children will be split into dormitories to sleep a maximum of 8. They will be able to choose the friends they would like to share with including friends from different Learning Zones. However, the

Educational Visit Lead (Mrs Green) will move children as necessary if behaviour issues occur.

Drinks and Snacks

Children will need to bring their own drinks (please avoid fizzy drinks) and packed lunch for the journey to London. Please ensure they have enough to sustain them for a busy day in London. An opportunity to stretch legs at a service station will be available where children can refill water bottles and use the toilets. We will provide children with some breakfast items on the way down - a cereal bar, brioche or piece of fruit. Children may also bring snacks to enjoy during down time at their accommodation but please do not bring large bags of sweets and crisps.

Medication

Please complete and return the attached medical information form.

Individual Needs

We have a number of children with additional needs who will be attending the trip and individual discussions will take place with parents regarding specific needs over the coming weeks.

Emergency Contact Information

In the event of an emergency, the Educational Visit Lead (Mrs Green) will inform the school during normal hours, who will then contact parents if necessary, however, we will be taking your emergency contact details which are saved on the school system so that we can contact parents overnight if absolutely necessary. Please ensure your emergency contact details are up to date with the school office.