



Loving Learning Every Day

"I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10)

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11th February 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our Stone Age to Iron Age topic in the Summer term, we are hoping (Covid permitting!) to run a day trip to Celtic Harmony camp in Brickendon, Hertford on **Tuesday 22nd June**. We will have a fun packed, interactive day, working in groups with the Celtic Harmony staff who will share their expertise and enthusiasm with us.

The day will include the following activities:

- Stone Age flint tools talk and soap knapping arrow heads
- Wattle fence making and exploring the Bronze Age roundhouse
- Making our own Bronze Age beaker pot
- Grinding grain on Iron Age quern stones and making dough
- Trading and bartering

The day will **begin at 9.45am** and **end at 2.45pm**. We will confirm transport arrangements with you nearer the time but we hope that some parents may be able to drop off and pick up (with lift sharing if allowed). In addition, we will run minibuses for those that need it.

To really get into the Stone Age spirit, we ask that children dress in Stone Age attire. Below are some simple suggestions to create a costume and many images can be found online for inspiration. Costumes can easily be created with items you have at home - they need not be costly. Please contact the class teachers if you need help with this. Please also consider that sturdy, weather appropriate shoes, anoraks, sun cream and sun hats may also be necessary as the great British summer can be unpredictable!

Tunic Costume

1. Use a rectangle of material, fold in half and cut a semi-circle out at one end to put head through.
2. Use a long, thin piece of material or string to tie around the waist.
3. Trousers are plain and worn baggy.

Dress Costume

1. Either a long plain coloured dress, or a plain shirt with a long plain skirt.
2. Use a long, thin piece of material to tie around the waist.
3. Outdoor shoes, leather boots or wellingtons under the dress /skirt.



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Head Teacher: Mrs Hazel Leslie

Deputy Head: Mrs Rebecca Fitts

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Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch with them on the day. Celtic Harmony try to make efficient use of natural resources and reduce waste to a minimum so they ask that we bring waste free packed lunch boxes.

Tips for a Waste Free Lunch Box:

- Reduce; When choosing items for your picnic, avoid over-packaged goods and individual sized items.
- Re-use; Put your sandwiches in a small margarine container, ice-cream container or old bread bag instead of buying food bags, foil and cling-film. Pack your own cakes, biscuits, raisins, crisps, etc. from large bulk buys into re-usable bags or containers.
- Rinse; Aluminium foil can be washed and re-used!
- Refill; A drinks bottle with squash or juice instead of throwing cartons and cans away.
- We do not have a bin collection so we ask you to take any rubbish away with you



The total cost is £20.00 per child. We require payment to be made by Friday 30th April via SchoolComms. If you feel you will struggle to make this payment, please do come and speak to Mrs Leslie or the school office, who may have access to some charity funding. In the event that we are unable to run the trip, full refunds will be provided.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Elliman and Miss Gray

Year 5 Teachers

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Please return this slip by **Monday 22nd February 2021**. A photo/scan of the slip or an email with the confirmation and relevant information is fine in the current circumstances. Please send responses to admin@stcatherines.herts.sch.uk.

Child's Name: _____ **Class:** _____

I **would/would not** like my child to attend the Celtic Harmony school trip on Tuesday 22nd June 2021.

I have made my payment via SchoolComms

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Signed: _____

Print Name: _____