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25th April 2016

Dear Parents/Guardians,

Chessington World of Adventures – Thursday 14th JULY 2016

I am pleased to confirm that tickets have now been reserved for our Year 6 Chessington visit on Thursday 14th July. The cost of the visit is priced at £27 per pupil. As the trip is not an educational visit, we are unable to subsidise the cost for parents but can offer payments in installments; please contact Sharnie directly to arrange this if necessary. Pupils in receipt of free school meals have the option of collecting a packed lunch from the school kitchen should they wish. Any pupils in possession of a Merlin Card are allowed free entry to the park as usual and will only be charged the coach fee of £15 but they **must** bring their card with them on the day of the trip or risk being charged an “on the spot” full entrance fee.

Please complete the attached reply slip and return to school with payment by Friday 20th May. Reply slips and payment will not be accepted after this date. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or online sQuid Payment Account. (Cheques to be made payable to *The Shared Learning Trust*). If sufficient funds are not received the visit may not go ahead.

The proposed details of the trip are as follows:

- 7.45 am – arrive at school and register
 - 8.00 am – depart school
 - 9.30 am – arrive at Chessington World of Adventures and register with staff
 - 12.30 pm – 1.30 pm – check point with school staff
 - 3.00 pm – meet at coach
 - 3.15 pm – 3.30 pm – depart Chessington World of Adventures
 - 5.00 pm – 5.30 pm – arrive back at school (depending on traffic)
- (Should this time change we will notify parents by text)

If a child’s conduct in school in the remaining weeks of this term does become a concern for their participation in the visit, parents will be contacted and a meeting arranged to put measures in place before any decisions are made. We will be operating a three strike system and if pupils achieve three strikes for inappropriate behaviour, they will be withdrawn from the trip. Pupils are required to act responsibly throughout the day, with high expectations of good manners in dealing with members of the public.

As this is an end of year event, pupils are welcome to wear their own clothes rather than school uniform. Whilst pupils are welcome to bring cameras (we suggest disposable cameras), all items are to remain the responsibility of the child, as staff are unable to guarantee the opportunity to look

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after possessions throughout the day. Pupils are not allowed to bring their mobile phones. We appreciate that there are many opportunities to buy and spend around the park, but would advise only bringing a small, sensible amount of money in order to avoid problems.

Do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 Team

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Reply Slip – For the Attention of Year 6 – Chessington World of Adventures Visit – 14th July 2016

Pupil's Name: Class:

Please tick as appropriate:

- I/we would like our son/daughter to be considered for the visit and have read and understood the contents of the letter.
- I/we enclose full payment of £27
- I/we enclose a reduced payment of £15 (possession of Merlin Card)
- I/we have paid via the sQuid online payment account.
- My child is entitled to free school meals and would like the school to provide a free school meal packed lunch.
- My child will be *biking/walking/collected from school at 5.30 p.m.

***Please delete as necessary.**

Signed: Date:
(Parent/Guardian)