

## Dunmow St Mary's Primary School



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Dear Parents

### Visit to Colchester Castle

On Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018, Year 4 are planning to visit Colchester Castle as part of their Dig topic. The day will allow the children to gain a better understanding of how, when and where the Romans lived. We will also have the opportunity to see some of the artefacts that were excavated from the school grounds that are on display in the museum. As well as exploring the Castle's exhibits, we will have a guided talk to explore some of the Castle's Roman ruins.

The coach will leave after registration, at 9.15am and will return before the end of school. The children will need to wear school uniform. They will need a packed lunch with plenty of drink for the day. If your child has free school dinners, the school office will contact you.

In order for this visit to take place, we are asking you to make a contribution of £12 to cover the visit and transport costs.

Although such a contribution is voluntary, in reality we have no alternative source of funding. Before the date of the visit the Governors will assess whether sufficient contributions have been received to make the visit financially viable. If it is not considered viable, it will be cancelled and all contributions will be refunded. In cases of financial hardship, any requests for the contribution to be waived will be treated sympathetically, do come and talk to us in confidence if this is the case. As this educational visit is taking place in school hours, we are not permitted by law (Education Act 1996) to exclude from such a visit children of parents choosing not to contribute to the cost.

Please fill in and return the enclosed form by the end of term.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Bussell, Ann Clausen and Chris Jarvis

Name of child \_\_\_\_\_ Class \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to take part in the visit to Colchester Castle on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018.

I enclose £12 for the cost of the visit/I have paid online (please delete one).

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Carer