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## Chiltern Open Air Museum – Goodnight Mister Tom Experience Day

Dear Parents/Carers,

On **Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July**, Year 5 will be visiting **The Chiltern Open Air Museum**, where we will experience a whole day themed around our current class novel, Goodnight Mr Tom, and WWII. The day will involve interactive workshops, where the children will become part of the story and meet the characters of the book. We will experience sheltering during an air raid; find ourselves being evacuated; attending a WWII era classroom and visiting a number of scenes from the story.

We feel that exciting experiences like this are an essential part of a rich, varied education and we would like to continue planning trips for the children. We would like to ask our families to make a **voluntary contribution of £20** for this trip, to help cover the cost of entry into the Museum (£350) and travel costs (£415). Money raised from Year 5 cake sales will also contribute towards this trip. If you are unable to meet these costs, please speak to a member of the year 5 staff. The voluntary contribution and permission for this trip can be made via Parent Pay.

Due to potential traffic delays, we will aim to leave school at approximately 8:30am. Children will need to be at school no later than **8:15am**. We should return in time for normal end of day at **3.30pm**.

We will be travelling by private coach to and from the Museum. Your child will need a packed lunch for the trip. If the school usually provides a free school meal for your child, we can provide a packed lunch on the day – please confirm this on Parent Pay.

As the majority of the trip will be **outside**, it is important that all children wear **appropriate non uniform outdoor clothing** subject to the weather on the day. It is possible that part of the Museum will be muddy so **suitable footwear** must also be worn. Sun hats and sun cream will be needed for a sunny day.

We do need **three extra adults** to accompany us and help supervise children during the day. If you are available to support, please speak to a member of staff from Year 5 – first come first served!

All related permissions for your child to attend the trip will be available via Parent Pay.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Tom Lloyd  
Year Five Teacher