



Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 7 History Day Trip to Rochester Castle: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June and Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

I am writing to inform you of an exciting opportunity for **all Year 7** students to visit Rochester Castle on **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2016** or **Friday 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

Students will have the opportunity to visit the medieval castle at Rochester, explore its 12<sup>th</sup> century keep, and conduct their own investigations into its defensive features. In addition to this students will also visit the historic town centre where they will explore the Norman Cathedral, investigate the settlement patterns of the town and the impact of tourism on Rochester, and complete the Charles Dickens Trail in order to discover more about the author's life, times and work.

The cost of the day trip is £15. This will include coach travel, and all entrance fees. Students will need to bring a packed lunch, a little spending money and appropriate clothing for any adverse weather. Students are also advised to wear sensible shoes for walking around a castle.

Approximate times for the day at present are 08:00am departure, returning to Stoke Newington School at 16:30.

As a school we are committed to broadening the educational experience of all of our pupils. However, as I am sure you will appreciate, given the limited school budget resources available, we are not able to finance all school visits. So, in order for this visit to go ahead, we need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £15. If there are any issues with payment for the trip please feel free to contact me or Ms Cheesman on 0207 241 9600 extension 239 as we may be able to help you with the cost.

**Please complete and return the attached reply slip together with a voluntary contribution of £15 by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May**

Please return the slip attached to this letter, together with your payment by cheque or cash in an envelope. The envelope should be labelled with the name of the trip, your child's name, form and the amount enclosed. Cheques should be made payable to Stoke Newington School. **Please return this envelope to the Humanities Office.**

Yours sincerely,

Ann Peers

Head of Humanities



**Reply Slip Year 7 History Day Trip Rochester Friday 15<sup>th</sup> or 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**I give my permission for my son/daughter to take part in the Year 7 History trip to Rochester, on 15<sup>th</sup> June 2016 (7NEWGH) or 17<sup>th</sup> June 2016 (7STOKI)**

**Student Name.....**

**Tutor group \_\_\_\_\_**

**Parent/Carer signature.....**

**My daytime emergency contact number is.....**

**Medical details concerning my child.....**

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**Name, address and emergency telephone number for child's doctor.....**

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**I enclose a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the trip of £15**

**Student Name..... Parent/carer.....**