



Learning Today, Leading Tomorrow

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Houses of Parliament tour and workshop on Wednesday 2nd May 2018

I am delighted to inform you that I have organised a trip to the Houses of Parliament on Wednesday 2nd May 2018, for those children who are in the **School Council**. Your child will take part in a tour of the Palace of Westminster, beginning with an introduction to the levels at which the UK is governed. They will then take part in an interactive quiz, which uses voting pod technology to encourage participation from all pupils, and explore the responsibilities and decisions made at local, regional, national and European level. Building on this context, pupils will then explore ways the public can influence decision makers, using an interactive game that encourages them to evaluate several common methods of campaigning as ways of getting their voices heard.

Fantastically, there are no costs involved for the tour and workshop, but a cost of **£6.65** will need to be paid for travel. **We would like you to make payments by 26th April using our 'ParentPay' account, which enables parents to pay online.**

Your child will need to be dropped at Tunbridge Wells train station (in front of the main ticket office) by 9:10am, where I and Jeanette Magee (School Council Leader) will meet them. Children can then be picked up from Tunbridge Wells train station at 4:40pm.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch, water bottle and a warm coat over their school uniform. They may also bring £5.00 to spend in the gift shop.

This is a fantastic opportunity for the School Council, and Mrs Magee and I cannot wait to experience this with them.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "E. Parks".

Eleanor Parks
Year 1 Beech Teacher
British Values Leader