

September 2025

## Year 3 - Trips for the Year

Dear Parents and Friends of Castle Hill,

The Year 3 team have been busy planning some exciting activities for the children that link in with their learning. To give you a whole year overview and to help with financial planning (transport costs add a significant amount to the cost of a trip), we have planned a mixture of onsite **and** offsite activities. These include a trip to a local church, an in-house Dinosaur Dome and a trip to Ufton Court.

## **<u>Church Visit</u>** – St Thomas of Canterbury, Worting, Basingstoke

As a part of our upcoming RE unit on sacred places, we are planning a visit to our local church, St Thomas Church. This trip will give the children an opportunity to explore how the church is special to Christians by exploring the traditional layout and having a guided tour. Children from Rooksdown will be transported by minibus to the church and children from Greenbank will be walking the short distance to the church.



There is no charge for the transport or trip for this activity.



## <u>Dinosaur Dome</u> - https://www.sciencedome.net/dinosaur-dome

As a part of our upcoming History topic about Mary Anning and extinction, a mobile planetarium will be brought into school. The show starts with time travel back to the Jurassic times with pictures of early earth landscapes. The programme then gives an interactive introduction to dinosaurs and talks about the fossils in the local Jurassic coast, using 360-degree pictures of the dinosaurs.

We are requesting a contribution of £8.50 for this activity.

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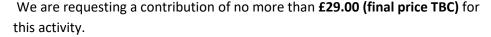
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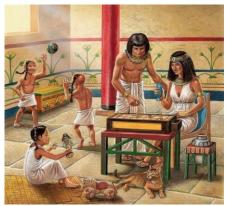


## <u>Ufton Court</u> - <u>https://www.uftoncourt.org.uk/</u>

As part of our history topic, the children will be visiting Ufton Court to take part in an exciting Ancient Egypt day. During the trip, they will step into the life of a Royal Egyptian household and

learn about Egyptian beliefs, traditions and daily life. They will also take part in practical activities such as mummification and embalming. This immersive experience will bring history to life in a fun, engaging and memorable way.





TRIP DATES	Rooksdown	Greenbank
Church Trip	November 2025 TBC	November 2025 TBC
Dinosaur Dome	Wednesday 21st January 2026	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> January 2026
Ufton Court	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April 2026	Tuesday 21st April 2026

The cost for these workshops and trips will appear on your child's Arbor account in advance of the date for each trip/activity. The amounts are calculated assuming that each child takes part and contributes to ensure we raise sufficient funds. Please note should there be insufficient voluntary contributions the school reserves the right to cancel or postpone the trip. The school does not make any profit on these trips and so by making these contributions you are helping to ensure that the school funds go further. Please note that if your child receives pupil premium funding the cost of the activity will be covered using their funding allocation.

As we are a cashless school, please pay online via scopay.com. If you would like a link code to set up an online payment account, please contact the school office.

We would also like to thank our Fundraising Friends teams for their continued contributions towards our activities. This is the last year that we will have funding for Greenbank pupils as, sadly, our Friends committee closed at the end of last academic year due to the lack of volunteers. We hope that this can be resolved before the next Academic year with a new Friends committee and that we will have funding again to help future trips and activities.

We are looking forward to some exciting experiences. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely, The Year 3 Team

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