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### **Year 5 Visit to the Ancient Technology Centre, Dorset**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to inform you that we have arranged for Year 5 to visit the **Ancient Technology Centre** in Dorset on **Thursday 20th March 2025**. This is an exciting opportunity for the children to enrich their history learning this term and experience life in the Viking and Anglo-Saxon age, in and around a reconstructed Viking Longhouse.

Elder and Hazel Class will have exclusive use of the Ancient Technology site and 4 tutors, who will guide and lead activities over the day. This will include meeting around a fire in the fantastic Viking Longhouse and learning some of the seasonal skills and tasks that Anglo Saxon or Viking people would have undertaken. Each class will have the opportunity to participate in 3 activities: Viking games, textile weaving and warrior training.

To ensure that we take full advantage of all this visit has to offer, we will need to leave school at 8.30am and return around 3.45pm. Further details regarding this will be given nearer the time. The children will need to wear Outdoor Learning clothes, such as long trousers, warm, long-sleeved tops, waterproof coat and wellies or sturdy shoes/boots. They will also need to bring a packed lunch and water bottle.

To cover the use of the Ancient Technology Centre and tutors for the day, plus all the activities and coach hire, the cost will be **£28.15 per child**. Payment and consent should be made via your child's ParentPay account by **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2025**.

The school does rely on parental contributions in order to fund these visits and so if they are not received by this date then the trip may not go ahead. We really hope that all Y5 children will be able to take part in this unique opportunity.

If you have any questions or concerns about the payment or visit, please do not hesitate to contact us in school.

More information about the Ancient Technology Centre can be found at:  
<https://ancienttechnologycentre.com/>

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Oliver and Miss Pepper