



14 March 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

Throughout Key Stage 2, the children have learnt about many religions including Christianity, Islam and Judaism. This has been linked to the Derbyshire Agreed Syllabus for Religious Education. In addition to this, it will also support the children's learning on 'Promoting British Values' through showing *tolerance* and *mutual respect*.

As part of our learning, we have arranged a trip to the Open Centre in Derby. Whilst the children are at the Open Centre they will have the opportunity to visit some local places of worship including a mosque and a Hindu temple. We believe that it is increasingly important that pupils have an understanding of the diversity of religious traditions, practices and forms of worship found in our country but **please be assured that under no circumstances will any child be asked to participate in any aspect of worship or be required to compromise their own faith or beliefs during this study visit.**

Whilst there, the children will listen to a brief talk centred around their learning and take part in some interactive activities. This will help the children to learn about different faiths and cultures through a personal experience, which we feel as a school is a necessity in today's modern society. The children will also take part in a Synagogue Experience.

The trip will take place on **Thursday 12th April 2018**. Please ensure your child arrives at school on time, with a **packed lunch** and wearing their **school uniform (trousers please, no skirts), sensible footwear and a coat** as we will be walking from one place to the other after we have got off the coach. All children should **bring head coverings such as scarves or plain hats** for visiting the Mosque.

The trip will **cost £7** which will cover all of the activities. The cost of the coach will very kindly be funded by the FPTA.

If you have any questions about the trip, please see Mrs Weston or you can visit the Open Centre's website for more details at <http://www.derbyopencentre.org/>. Can you please return the reply slip and payment to the school office by no later than 21st March 2018.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr Smith
Headteacher

Mrs Weston
Year 6 Teacher / KS2 Leader

Visit to the Open Centre, Derby – 12th April 2018 Years 5 & 6

Child's Name _____ Class _____

I give permission for my child to visit the Open Centre.

Signed: _____
(Parent / Carer with parental responsibility)

Emergency Contact Details _____