

9th December 2022

Year 5 Tudor Manor Lodge

Dear Parent/Carer,

On Wednesday 22nd February 2023, we are very excited to be taking our Year 5 pupils to Sheffield Manor Lodge, in order to find out about life as a Tudor. Although we appreciate that many people will be budgeting carefully at the moment, we do feel that the visit is a terrific opportunity for children to find out about our topic in an immersive way, which would not be possible to do in school. The cost of the trip is £14.00 and set up on Parentpay. As well as having access to the Discovery Centre and Tudor Turret House, the children will also take part in 2 workshops:

Tudor Health and Hygiene

How often did the Tudors bathe and what ailments did they think boiling pigeon droppings in milk would cure? Children will answer these questions and more in our session designed to look at why the Tudors were some of the smelliest people in history. Pupils will uncover the mystery of the weird and wacky remedies Tudors used to cure illnesses and find out exactly why a visit to a Tudor Doctor was an unnerving experience, even getting the chance to get up close with a plague doctor by dressing up. They will get the chance to investigate herbs growing in the apothecary's garden and finally make a sweet smelling pomander to disguise the horrible smells of Tudor England.

Tudor Rich and Poor

Pupils will discover the stark differences between the lives of a wealthy family and their servants in Tudor times by exploring the site, from the decorated banqueting room to Sheffield's earliest toilet. Children will have the opportunity to dress up in authentic children's Tudor costumes, see the difficulties that Tudor Ladies faced in getting dressed and discover just how dirty the servants might have got! They will also explore inventories, creating their own with quill and ink and see how little Tudor peasants had to survive with. Finally, children will make a replica Tudor coin purse.

We appreciate your contributions so that the trip is able to go ahead. Pupils will also be required to bring a packed lunch and coat with them on the day. The visit will take place during normal school hours, with us arriving back at school around 3pm, traffic permitting. If you have any further questions about the visit, then please speak to a member of the Year 5 team. We will send reminders and photographs on Seesaw in the Spring.

Thank you,

The Year 5 team

Year 5 Trip Tudor Manor Lodge – please return by Friday 16th December

I give permission for my child to attend the school trip Yes / No

Pupil Name: Class:

I intend to contribute to the trip I give permission for my child to be photographed during this event.

Signed Parent/carers: