



# WHITMORE PARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

Halford Lane  
Coventry CV6 2HG

Monday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

## Year 6 Trip to see 'A Christmas Carol'

As part of their work in Literacy, during December, Year 6 will be studying the book 'A Christmas Carol' by Charles Dickens. The children will explore this work of classic fiction by one of Britain's best-known authors in depth, and this text will be linked to several pieces of writing they will produce.

The children in Year 6 have been offered the fantastic opportunity to attend a live performance of 'A Christmas Carol' on **Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016**. Children will have an early lunch and will be leaving school at 12.30pm and will return to school by **4pm**.

This is an amazing chance for your child to see the text they have been studying literally come to life, as well as experiencing live theatre and music. The performance will be run at the Albany Theatre in Coventry. Children will travel by coach and minibuses.

The cost of this trip is **£8.40**. Please return the attached consent form, with payment by **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2016**. **This payment can be made by online via the School Gateway smartphone app or website** (please see overleaf for a reminder of how to register for this new service). Please note that if you pay online you are **not** required to complete and return the attached form.

If you choose to pay by cash or cheques made payable to "Whitmore Park Primary School", please put it in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and "A Christmas Carol". **If payment is not received from children the trip may have to be cancelled.**

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Year 6 teachers

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Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to attend 'A Christmas Carol' at the Albany Theatre on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> December 2016. [ ]

I enclose full payment of £9.00. [ ]

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: 024 7633 5697

Email: [admin@whitmorepark.coventry.sch.uk](mailto:admin@whitmorepark.coventry.sch.uk)





## Reminder – New online payment service

### **You can now make online payments to school via instant bank transfer, credit or debit card**

We've introduced a new service - 'School Gateway'. This means that you will be able to make online payments via the School Gateway smartphone app or website. You will also be able to view school meal balances and top them up at any time.

We will notify you by letter, text or email when new items such as school trips or tickets for events are available for payment on School Gateway. You will also be able to give online consent, where required, for your child to take part in activities.

Aside from saving the school time and money on administration, School Gateway will also make it easier for parents to pay any time 24-7 and reduce the amount of cash being carried by children on school premises.

### **What you need to do now:**

Activate your School Gateway account. It's quick and easy to do. All you need are your email address and mobile number that school holds on record for you.

- **Download the app:** If you have a smartphone, please download School Gateway from your app store (Android and iPhone). The app shows the same information as the website PLUS it saves the school money when we send you a text message.

### **OR**

- **Visit the website:** [www.schoolgateway.com](http://www.schoolgateway.com) and click on 'New User'. You'll receive a text message with a PIN number. Use this PIN to log into School Gateway.

**If you're having trouble logging in,** it may be because the school doesn't have your current email and mobile phone number on record. Please call the school and we'll update the details on our system.

We hope that you will find School Gateway to be a fast and easy way to pay for school items.