

11<sup>th</sup> January 2011

Dear Parents,

**Prep 5 Residential Trip to Alton Castle**

Prep 5 will visit Alton Castle from **Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2011**

Alton Castle is set in the Churnet Valley, overlooking Alton Towers, and is the residential youth centre for the Archdiocese of Birmingham.

During the visit, the children are able to take part in many varied activities e.g. orienteering, trekking, wall climbing, art, and IT etc. There are also times for reflection, music, discussion groups and prayer services.

The children will leave school during Wednesday lunchtime and travel to Consall Valley Visitors Centre for the afternoon, before arriving at Alton Castle at 4pm. The children will leave Alton Castle on Friday afternoon and arrive back at School in readiness for the end of the School day. The total cost will be £115.00. This figure includes all coach fares, all meals, activities at Consall Valley and Alton Castle and accommodation.

At this stage, we need to confirm our numbers, so I ask that you return the confirmation slip together with a deposit of £50 by **Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January**. The remaining £65.00 will be requested just prior to the Information Meeting on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2010 at 6.30pm**. (You are most welcome to pay in instalments if preferred). The clothing list will be sent out before Easter, so that you have enough time to ensure everything is in place.

Alton Castle offers a unique experience and all children who visit benefit greatly from the time that they spend there. It is just unfortunate that we are finding that, as with everything, the price of this trip has increased this year. If you would like more information about Alton Castle, their website address is [www.altoncastle.co.uk](http://www.altoncastle.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher \_\_\_\_\_ ✕

**St Joseph's Preparatory School**  
**Stoke-on-Trent**  
**Residential Visit to Alton Castle**  
**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May to Friday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2011 inclusive**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

I give my permission for my son/daughter to join the residential trip to Alton Castle. I enclose the deposit of £50 (a cheque is preferred).

**Please complete**

Does your son / daughter require a Vegetarian menu? Yes / No (please circle)

If yes, can they eat fish? Yes / No (please circle)

Please give details of any other food allergies? \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**To guarantee a place for your child, please return the completed slip with your deposit of £50 by Monday 24<sup>th</sup> January 2011.**  
**Thank you.**