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Dear Parents and Carers,

Sssh, it's a secret!



Many of you may remember our highly successful surprise trip to see 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory', in London, in 2016. I still hear it mentioned by staff and children as it was such a memorable day. We all had a fabulous time from the 'big reveal' the day before, driving past key London sights such as Buckingham Palace and the fantastic musical itself.

After recovering from all the hard work in organising the day we are ready to do it again! This time we are going to see 'The Lion King', in London. It really is a spectacular show and I am sure the children will love it.

As with Charlie, we are hoping to take the whole school, on Wednesday December 12th, to the matinee performance. We have secured seats at the bargain price of £22.50. We plan to travel by coach direct from the school to the theatre. The PTFA have kindly agreed to subsidise the cost of travel. This means that the total cost for the trip will be £30 per child. For families in receipt of the pupil premium this will be reduced to £15. We hope you agree that £30 is incredible value for a trip to see a London show.

Unfortunately, in order to secure all 455 plus seats we have to pay for them at the time of booking. The school cannot commit to this financially without parent support. Please could you confirm that you would like your child to join us on this exciting trip with either the whole payment of £30 or a deposit of £10 per child by the end of school on Thursday 24th May. We appreciate that this is short notice but the theatre will only book tickets in receipt of payment. We hope that by allowing payment in instalments we are spreading the cost to ensure that the trip is accessible for all families. Our aim is that every child comes with us. If you chose to pay a deposit we will require two further payments of £10, one by Thursday 7th June and the final payment by Thursday 5th July. Please pay this using our online payment system on www.schoolgateway.com.

Finally, as previously, we would really like this to be a surprise for the children until Tuesday 11th December, when we plan to have a big reveal. Please do help us achieve this by not telling your child / children of our plans! You all kept the secret last time, we are convinced that not a child knew and this really did add to the magic of the day.

We will be asking for parent volunteers nearer the time. If you have any questions please contact your child's teacher or the school office.

Yours faithfully

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