DOTHILL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Head Teacher: Mrs J Thomas

Date: 13th November 2025

Dear Parents/Carers - Y3

On Tuesday 2^{nd} December 2025 year 3 will be visiting Telford Gurdwara. The trip will take place during the normal school day and children are due to arrive back at approximately 2:00pm but this will be dependent upon traffic on the day.

Children will have the chance to eat at the Gurdwara via their free community kitchen. With that in mind please be aware that only vegetarian food is served in the Gurdwaras. This ensures that any visitor to the Gurdwara, whatever the dietary restrictions of their faith, can eat in the Langar. The meal may include chapati, dal (pulses), vegetables and rice pudding. Fish and eggs are counted as meat and excluded. If you prefer, children can bring their own packed lunch but this must be strictly vegetarian food - no meat, fish or eggs, or meat based snacks can be taken in. All children should have a non-fizzy drink (no glass bottles or cans please). If your child is entitled to free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided.

Children should wear their normal school uniform and have a waterproof coat and hat/scarf/gloves as necessary. In the Gurdwara the children will be expected to cover their head out of respect. For girls it can be a scarf, and boys can wear a bandana. The Gurdwara will have some available but not enough for all of the children, so please have a look at home for anything suitable as that will be really helpful.

In order to cover transport costs, a voluntary contribution of £5.00 would be appreciated for the trip. However, we must point out that if we do not receive adequate funding to cover costs, we will have to cancel this trip. Please see overleaf for further information.

When visiting a Gurdwara it is custom to make small donations. These small donations allow the Gurdwara to provide the support that they do to the community. If possible please provide your child with some small change on the day for them to make a donation.

Would you please provide consent and make your voluntary contribution using ParentPay by Friday 21st November 2025 as we need your permission to take your child on the visit. Thank you.

Yours sincerely

Y3 Teaching Team







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Frequently Asked Questions

Is it compulsory for my child to attend?

We cannot force any child to attend any trip/visit but they are all educational visits, which enhance the curriculum and will benefit the work done in class. If they do not attend they will miss out on an important part of their learning experience.

Why do I have to pay when it is a voluntary contribution?

Under the requirements of the Education Act 1966, we can only raise the cost of the visit by voluntary contributions but in order for the trip/visit to go ahead, we are dependent on everyone giving support.

What happens if people do not pay?

If the level of financial support is insufficient, the trip/visit will be cancelled.

What if I cannot afford for my child to attend?

If you are unable to make a contribution, please contact the school.

What will happen to my child if he/she does not attend?

If you do not wish for your child to go, he/she will be expected to attend school and will spend the day with another year group doing work as normal.

Do we get a refund if my child is absent on the day of the trip/visit?

The cost of the trip/visit has been worked out on the basis that all children will attend and therefore in the event of your child being absent on the visit date we will not be able to make refunds.





