



## Higham St John's C. of E. Primary School

### Organisation of Educational Visits

At Higham St John's School, we are keen to promote learning in as many different ways as possible. One valuable learning opportunity is through the use of Educational Visits. This policy aims to explain how Educational Visits are organised within our School.

Educational visits are, with a few exceptions, organised by the individual class teachers. These visits mostly relate to the individual topics being covered within class and aim to enhance & enrich the children's studies further. On some occasions, where it is appropriate, classes work together to arrange a visit. There can also be other logistical issues which make this the most efficient and cheapest way to ensure a range of visits can take place.

Occasionally, should it be logistically, practically and educationally appropriate, School may allocate any spare places to children within other classes. This would always be done on a lottery basis to ensure fairness.

Due to the size of our School and the fact that all classes are of mixed year group, it is acknowledged by School and Governors that the above policy sometimes means that children within the same year group will not receive exactly the same experiences, however, we strive to ensure that all children will receive similar opportunities during their time at Higham St John's.

There are a number of notable exceptions to the above policy which are listed below:-

#### YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL

Children at Higham St John's have traditionally been given the opportunity to take part in a residential visit during their final year. This will remain the case. In the case where there aren't enough Year 6 children to make the trip viable, places will be offered to Year 5 children on a lottery basis to try and ensure the trip can go ahead.

#### SPORTING / MUSICAL EVENTS / OTHER ACTIVITIES

School frequently participates in activities organised by outside groups, such as the Sports Partnership and Lancashire Music Service. In these cases, it is often necessary to select a group of children based on other criteria. These include:-

- Ability
- Prior participation in an activity or club
- Set criteria for an event e.g. age / sex

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