

Station Visit, Mock Evacuation & Train Journey

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to be taking Year 6 for a train station visit and a train journey between Ifield and Horsham stations as part of a rail safety workshop. This will also link to the Autumn term's World War II topic; children will participate in a mock evacuation (walking to the station and taking the train to Horsham). The children will complete a workshop in school, where they will learn about safety in and around the railway, take a train to Horsham, undertake station visit field work before having lunch in Horsham Park. The trip will be within school hours and is **free of charge**.

Dressing up is encouraged as part of the day. **Please note, we do not expect parents to buy any costumes specifically for this day**, but simply to accessorise if you have items such as flat caps, tank tops, tie, shorts and long pulled-up socks for boys or a floral dress and cardigan with hair worn in plaits for girls.



Each class will go on the following date:

6MH - Tuesday 30th September

6LP - Wednesday 1st October

6JE – Friday 3rd October

This trip is part of the Go Learn for Primary Schools in Sussex; it is delivered by Sussex Community Rail Partnership and Southern. The workshop is designed to help children develop confidence and skills for safe independent travel on public transport to secondary school. It provides the children with the skills to plan journeys, purchase tickets and use rail services safely and confidently.

All children will require a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to a Free School Meal (FSM), the school will provide this. However, if your child receives FSM and would prefer to bring their own packed lunch on this day, please let us know via a note in your child's Home-School Diary. We will send out a reminder about this in September.

If you pay for school dinners, you can opt for a school packed lunch on this day, or you may prefer to send your child in with a packed lunch from home – please ensure you don't book a hot meal on this day!

Your child will need a coat/sun hat/sun cream, depending on the weather on the day of the trip. Children will need a small bag to carry their lunch and water bottle in.

As this is not a local trip, **you will need to give permission for your child to attend this trip on Arbor.** This will open in the first week of the Autumn term. We will write to you again to let you know when this has opened. Please complete this by **19th September 2025**.

Yours sincerely,

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Miss Paterson
Year 6 Leader and Class Teacher