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Friday 31st January 2024

Y6 visit to Elblag, Poland

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last term we shared with families the exciting news that we had been awarded a Turing Scheme Grant from the Department for Education. The amazing opportunity to visit Poland was offered to all Year 6 children and **your child was allocated a place**. As we make further preparations for the visit, we will require a number of administrative tasks to be completed. These will help ensure travel arrangements go smoothly and ensure we comply with our safeguarding and risk assessment requirements.

Passports

If your child has a passport, we need to see it. Passports must be valid for 6 months **after** the visit. Please bring your child's passport to our school office where we will take a copy for our records. We will return the original. In the weeks prior to the visit, we will be requesting the original copy of the passport to keep in our school safe, so we know we have them all ready for travel. School staff will be responsible for the children's passports during the trip. Further information will follow regarding this.

If your child does not have a passport, please make the application immediately. If you need help with funding this, we will be able to reimburse you afterwards. Please do talk to me directly about this. We request all passports are brought to the school office for us to copy by Friday 7th February.

Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC)

All children travelling will need a GHIC. These can be applied for here:

<https://overseas-healthcare.nhsbsa.nhs.uk/get-healthcare-cover-travelling-abroad/start>

Parents will need to complete the application first and then add children to the application. This does not take long and is free. If your child already has a GHIC please can we see a copy when you bring in your child's passport? If you are applying, please do so immediately, the estimated timeline for a GHIC is 15 working days so **we request to see a copy of all GHICs by Friday 28th February**.

Travel Insurance

We have spoken with Lincolnshire County Council, and we are covered through our policy with them. There is no need for additional insurance.

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Bags

We are travelling on Ryanair who are very strict on baggage. **All our flights include a small bag which the children will carry onboard.** There is no capacity in the grant to pay excess baggage charges. We suggest all families check they have a suitable bag as soon as possible that matches the criteria outlined below. There are a number of Ryanair proof bags available from Amazon at reasonable prices. Prior to travelling we will be requesting all travel bags are brought into school to be checked. Parents will have to repay any excess travel fees incurred during travel. Click this link to view Ryanair's baggage polices <https://help.ryanair.com/hc/en-gb/categories/12489112419089-Bag-Rules>

Please ensure all actions required within this letter are followed up as soon as possible as this will really help us. In the event our requests are not followed up, your child's place on the trip may be at risk as we do have a reserve list.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me via enquiries@grimoldbyprimaryschool.uk or call 01507 327393. Further information will be sent out after half term.

Yours faithfully,

Antonia Coy

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