



11<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

## Year 2 Visit to Tatton Park

As part of Year 2's 'Trash to Treasure' topic, which will start when we return after the Christmas holidays, we be looking at the Victorians. To bring the topic to life we have booked a trip to Tatton Park, where the children will be taken back to 1887 and will have to work together as Victorians to get the house ready for a visit from the Prince and Princess of Wales!

The date of each class visit is as follows:

- 2SH and half of 2KK will be going on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> February
- 2RF and the other half of 2KK will be going on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> February

Mrs King will let you know nearer the time which children from her class are going on which day.

We will be leaving school just after 9:00am and travelling by coach to Tatton Park. We will be back in time for the end of the school day. A packed lunch will be required. If you would like school to provide one then please indicate on the form below, as school lunches have to be ordered in advance.

A minimum contribution of £14 per child to help cover the costs would be appreciated. If we do not receive sufficient contributions the trip may have to be cancelled. If your child is entitled to Pupil Premium you are entitled to the trip being funded by school. Please return your slip and payment to the school office in an envelope with your child's name, class and 'Tatton Park' written on the front, no later than **Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**. Alternatively, you can give consent and pay online via SIMS Agora. If you do so and would like a packed lunch for your child, please email your choice of sandwich filling to [messages@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:messages@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk).

The organisers at Tatton Park have sent us some suggestions of costumes for the day. It would be great to see the children (and adults!) dressed up, so we have attached it for you to look at. If you are able to help on the visit please speak to your child's teacher or email [messages@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk](mailto:messages@oswaldroad.manchester.sch.uk).

Kind regards,

Helen Savage, Natalie Hickman, Kelly King and Richard Farrow  
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**Child's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Class:** \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to go on the trip to Tatton Park [ ]

I have enclosed a contribution of **£14** / My child is eligible for Pupil Premium (delete as appropriate)

I would like school to provide a packed lunch [ ]

**Choice of Sandwich:** Ham [ ] Cheese [ ] Tuna [ ] Hummus [ ] Egg [ ]

I will provide a packed lunch for my child [ ]

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Costume Information Sheet

### Victorian Servants

Date: 1896/7, Victoria is Queen of England

#### Where are we going?

You are going to the Mansion at Tatton Park to work as a servant for the day. Some of the work you will be doing is very hard! This might include scrubbing cold, hard stone floors on your hands and knees, and carrying heavy buckets of coal up to the bedrooms, so be prepared!

#### Etiquette

This means 'how to behave!' In Victorian times everybody knew 'their station' (position) in society and there were lots of rules. During your day at Tatton you must remember not to speak to members of the family unless you are spoken to first. You should call the butler "Sir" and the Housekeeper "Ma'am". If you happen to meet a member of the family or a visitor in the house, stop to let them pass. Boys should then bow, and girls must curtsy.

#### What to bring

If possible, bring one item of silver or copper for cleaning, but make sure you ask permission first from your parents.

#### What to Wear

We find that some sort of costume, however simple, helps everyone to enter into the Victorian servant's world. However, you should remember that big country houses like Tatton are often cold and draughty, it's important that you are warmly dressed!

#### Boys

Servants wore turned up collars with a plain necktie or cravat and a crisp, white shirt.

Plain, dark coloured waistcoats were worn by all the menservants and were usually a cast-off from the master. Trousers can be either long or short, tucked into socks or cut off and elasticated at the knee.

Socks should be long and dark coloured. Wear black shoes or pumps or lace-up boots, but not trainers!

#### Victorian Servants



#### Girls

A mob cap can be made from a circle of white cotton, gathered with a drawstring or elastic. Hair should be tied back tightly or tucked under the cap.

Wear a long dark or printed dress buttoned up to your neck, or a light blouse and long, dark skirt with a wide belt.

Flat shoes are essential, preferably in a dark colour. To be really authentic, you could wear lace up boots...

We can provide a long white apron for girls and a short one for the boys, when you get here.

Teachers and accompanying adults - please come in costume too! You will need to bring your own apron.



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