



MAHARISHI SCHOOL
CONSCIOUSNESS - BASED EDUCATION

6th November 2019

Dear Parents and Carers,

We would like to give Year 5 the opportunity to visit **Quarry Bank Mill** on **Wednesday 4th December 2019**.

Quarry Bank Mill is one of Britain's greatest Industrial Heritage sites, showcasing many aspects of Victorian life that the children have already discovered in class. The trip will focus on two aspects of Quarry Bank Mill: The Mill and the Apprentice house. In the mill the children will discover what it was like to work in a cotton mill. Experience heritage machinery in action and feel the floors shake beneath your feet as the spinning machines turn and the looms weave. Find out about the life and legacy of Samuel Greg, the founder of Quarry Bank. You can also get a sense of the working conditions for the men, women and children who toiled in the mill.

We will take a guided tour of the Apprentice House to step into the lives of the pauper children who worked in the mill. Children as young as eight years old were apprenticed at Quarry Bank, working 10 hour days in the mill and living cramped together under the control of the Apprentice House superintendents.

Year 5 will be leaving school promptly at 9:00am, and returning to school for home time (approximately 3:30pm traffic dependent). Please ensure your child meditates at home before and after school on this occasion.

All pupils should be in full school uniform (including correct school shoes) and should remember to bring a packed lunch, which we recommend they bring in a backpack (school bought or other type) or otherwise in a disposable bag. No glass or fizzy drinks. They may also bring some money to spend in the shop if they wish (this is optional).

The suggested donation towards the cost of this trip is **£21.00**. Payment and consent should be done on ParentPay (www.parentpay.com) by Wednesday 27th November. If you are unable to contribute towards the cost of this trip please confirm this to the Bursar, via the school office, with a signed note addressed to Trip Finance, giving consent for your child to go on the trip. Please note that if there are not enough contributions towards the cost of the trip it may not go ahead, in which case any payments received will be refunded.

Thank you for your continued support.

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