

# RIPLEY ST THOMAS

CHURCH OF ENGLAND ACADEMY

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Dear Parent/Carer

## **Proposed Visit to: Alton Towers Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> March**

We are proposing to run a trip to Alton Towers on the above date as a result of the hard work and positive attitude shown by the year group.

Further details are to be found on the attached information sheets.

The cost of this trip £30 per pupil which, for security, should be paid online at [www.scopay.com/ripley](http://www.scopay.com/ripley) using your personal login details from the letter issued to pupils. If you have any problems using the online payment system please contact the school finance office for assistance.

The above mentioned cost includes return transport and access to the theme park. Although students will be supervised on the coaches this is not feasible once they have entered the park. To abide by County guidelines regarding school visits students are required to be in 'buddy' groups of 3 or more. It will be the responsibility of your son/daughter to ensure they are in a group of adequate number at all times once in the grounds of Alton Towers.

Students must meet at Ripley at 7.30am. We are expected to arrive back at school at 7pm. Students must make their own arrangements to get home from school.

Pupils may come to school in casual clothes.

If you wish your son/daughter to take part in this visit, please complete and return the attached application form, parental consent form (Form 3B) and pay by Friday 9th March. The forms should be returned to the blue box outside Learning Support in an envelope clearly marked with your son's / daughter's name and Alton Towers on the outside.

Please note that late receipt of payment and/or forms will jeopardise your son's/daughter's opportunity to take part in the visit.

Yours sincerely

Mr Liver  
Year 11 Assistant Progress Leader

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INFORMATION SHEET FOR PARENTS/GUARDIANS FOR THE  
TRIP/VISIT TO :

**Alton Towers**

<b>Visit to:</b>	Alton Towers
<b>The following activities will be undertaken:</b>	Theme Park
<b>The alternative (Plan B) activity/venue is :</b>	No alternative Plan B. If cancelled the party will return to base / school.
<b>Date(s) of the visit:</b>	Leave on Thursday 29 March 2018 Return on Thursday 29 March 2018
<b>The mode of transport is:</b>	Coach
<b>The time &amp; place of departure is:</b>	We depart from School at 7.30 am
<b>The approximate time &amp; place of return is:</b>	We return to School at 7.00pm (approx)
<b>For residential visits the accommodation address &amp; tel. number is :</b>	N/A
<b>The base contact details are : <u>(NB these should be used in emergency situations only)</u></b>	Mon to Fri up to 16:00hrs : 01524 64496 ext 1023 All other times : 07722027582

If Parents/Guardians have any concerns prior to the trip/visit taking place, please contact :-

Mr Liver : 01524 64496

e-mail : Via ParentLine on the school "Contact Us" Page

**NOTE: Ripley St Thomas CE Academy has insurance arrangements in place for covering personal injury to pupils. Details are available on the school website or you can request a copy from the school's Educational Visit Co-ordinator**

**IMPORTANT**  
**PARENTAL/CARER CONSENT AND MEDICAL INFORMATION FORM**  
The attached consent form **MUST** be completed and returned to the school **before** your child may participate in the visit/activity.

## **Application form for: Alton Towers Trip**

All activities, events or trips that are not a necessary part of the curriculum are subject to the Passport to Privilege (P2P) protocol, which recognises and rewards good effort and behaviour. The principles of the Passport to Privilege are regularly outlined by progress leaders through assemblies and displayed on posters in form rooms. It is clear that a positive attitude to behaviour and studies will result in the opportunity to participate in events and activities organised by Ripley colleagues.

Parents must also be aware that, if at any point prior to the trip, concerns are raised about your child's attitude and / or behaviour, Ripley reserves the right to withdraw the invitation to participate. If this were to happen, whilst every effort would be made to make a refund this may not always be possible.

I accept the P2P principles and request that my son /daughter

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TUTOR GROUP \_\_\_\_\_

To be considered for a place on the **Alton Towers Trip**

TRIP LEADER **Mr Liver**

DATE(s) OF TRIP **Thursday 29 March 2018**

I understand that places on this trip will be allocated based on P2P principles. The decision to offer a place will be made in consultation with the trip leader, my child's progress leader and members of the school senior leadership team.

**Online payment for £30 made on \_\_\_\_\_ (date)**

Signed..... Parent/Guardian

Date.....