



The Manor
Preparatory School

To Parents of Children in Year 6

Friday 11 October 2019

Dear Parents

Winston Churchill and Public Speaking Master Class at Blenheim Palace on Tuesday 5 November 2019

We are very fortunate to have been invited to take part in a Public Speaking project organised by the Education Department at Blenheim Palace. The first stage of this is a Public Speaking master class at the Palace using the speeches of Winston Churchill to consider what makes an effective speech.

The trip will take place on Tuesday 5 November. The children in Year 6 will leave school at approximately 9:00am and return at around 1:00pm, in time for lunch.

Please ensure your child has their Manor coat.

The experience will be of immense value for children at interview, allowing them something exciting, dramatic and character-building to discuss.

The children will learn about the life of Winston Churchill and the life of the Palace during World War II. The tour of the Palace will combine with practical public speaking exercises. The children will have the opportunity to give a talk on their impressions of the Palace, and to introduce a room as if they were a Palace guide.

This inspiring project will continue in the Spring Term with a public speaking competition open to children in the Debating Club. The team will perform at Blenheim Palace in front of invited guests and members of the Churchill family. Year 6 will also be studying World War II in History in the Spring Term.

Please be aware that the bus company will insist that the children wear the safety restraints provided which could either be seat belts or lap belts depending on the individual coach used.

Please also be aware that if you have declared your child to have asthma/an allergy requiring an adrenaline auto-injector and they have been prescribed an inhaler/AAI, your child will not be allowed to leave the school site without their device. Thank you for your co-operation.

We are very grateful to Blenheim Palace for inviting us to take part in something so prestigious.

Yours sincerely

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