



# St George's School Bourton

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Dear Silver Base Parents

As part of our topic on World War Two, on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November the children in Silver Base are going to be 'evacuated' to Scaplen's Court. This is part of Poole Museum, on the main High Street, which runs educational sessions for school groups.

The children will be treated as evacuees for the day. They will have the opportunity to cook using rations, make items for 'make do and mend', handle artefacts from the period, practise ARP including putting out a fire with a stirrup pump and join in traditional songs. They will also experience life in an old school room with desks and dip pens. The day will be led by one of the museum's Education Officers. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children and pupils who visited in previous years gained so much from the experience.

The children will be involved in food preparation involving wheat and oats etc, so it is essential that I am informed of **all food allergies**. Also some children may be grating soap to make soap bags so an indication of any relevant skin conditions such as eczema is also necessary. Since one activity involves putting out a small fire outside, as a precaution we need to ensure our medical records are up to date so we know of the pupils with asthma. Obviously adults will supervise the children at all times and will help to do any tasks the children are not confident with. Please indicate on the attached reply slip your child's needs and requirements.

The children will be in role as evacuees for the day so it would be good if they could dress appropriately. Generally this just means old fashioned! For example:

- Boys: long shorts, shirts, cardigans and possibly a cap.
- Girls: pleated skirts, cardigans, shirts and short ankle socks.
- Children could bring their gas mask box: small cardboard box covered in brown paper.
- All children need to wear a name label around themselves.
- They may wish to bring a small teddy to keep them company on the journey and remind them of home.
- They will need a bag (or small suitcase) containing their lunch and drink.
- **All children will need a packed lunch.**
- As always, it would be helpful if all items could be named.

We have tried to keep costs as low as we can, therefore we are asking for a voluntary contribution of £10.00 per child to cover the cost of this visit and transport, the PTFA have kindly agreed to pay the balance of the costs.

To fit in all the activities we have planned at Scaplen's Court we will need the children to arrive at school by 8.30am, we will return for a 3.45pm pick up. Miss Karczmarczyk (Miss K) will be accompanying us for this visit but, due to some of the activities needing adult support, we need three or four additional adults. If you feel you would like to join us for the day please indicate it on the form below. Adults will be selected on a first come first serve basis and should also dress as if circa 1940!

Thank you for your support and I am sure you will hear all about it on our return.

Yours sincerely

**Silver Base ~ Scaplen's Court Visit  
Response Form**

**Please return to the school Office, with all donations in a sealed enveloped by  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

I give permission for my child ..... to visit Scaplen's Court Museum on  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November.

Please give a reliable contact number for the day. We will need 2 emergency numbers. It is  
important that if this changes, you inform us as soon as possible.

Contact person 1 ..... Telephone number .....

Contact person 2 ..... Telephone number .....

( ) I enclose a voluntary donation of £10.00 towards the cost of this educational visit.

Please list all food allergies your child has and give any other relevant information:

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Please list any skin allergies your child has and any other relevant information:

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Does your child suffer from Asthma? Yes/No Please ensure the correct medication is in  
school if needed.

( ) My child is confident use a sharp knife or vegetable peeler. I am happy for him /  
her to peel vegetables under adult supervision.

( ) I would be willing to help on the visit.

Signed ..... Date: .....