



Mark First C of E Academy

Creating a Love of Learning

25th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Herons Workshops & Trips 2026 – 2027 Academic Year

We are pleased to inform you that all educational trips for the current academic year have now been planned and booking enquiries made for all trips. These trips have been designed to enhance our curriculum, offer valuable real-world experiences, and create lasting memories for our pupils.

Below is a list of the planned workshops and trips.

Wednesday 14 th October 2026	Haynes Motor Museum	Home to a diverse collection of cars and motorcycles the children will have the opportunity to learn about the development of motor car from birth of the internal combustion engine to the development of modern electric vehicles. Children will leave school after morning registration and return before the end of the school day travelling by coach to the museum.
18 th November 2026	Brazilian Dance Workshop	The colour and energy of the streets of Rio De Janerio will come to Mark for an energetic dance carnival! Children will have a go at some flamboyant south American dance style such as samba, Bolero, Capoeira and Funk Carioca. Linking to Brazilian culture and geography topics
17 th March 2027 (TBC)	SS Great Britain	Children will take part in a workshop and discover more about the engineering and life on a Victoria steam ship. Children will leave school after morning registration and return before the end of the school day travelling by coach to the museum.
22 nd June 2027 (TBC)	Bristol Zoo Project	This trip will give the children the opportunity to see a wide variety of larger animals. Children will leave school after morning registration and return before the end of the school day travelling by coach to the zoo.

For all off site trips, please can children wear school uniform, comfortable shoes suitable for walking and an appropriate coat / sun protection for the weather. Children will need to take a packed lunch, details of how to order packed lunches from school will be provided in advance of each trip. Children will also require a small snack and water bottle. These will need to be brought in a small rucksack that the children can carry as there is nowhere for the children to store their belongings during museum visits.

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Thanks to our wonderful PTFA, we have provided a grant to all classes towards trips and workshops to subsidise these enrichment opportunities.

Voluntary Contributions

We understand that managing trip costs can be challenging and hope that by planning the full year we can ease the pressure of payment by offering instalments across the year. We kindly request voluntary contributions of £50 to cover all of the above activities.

Payment can be made through My Child At School where payment can either be made in full or an initial deposit, due by 13th October 2025 of £8 followed by 7 monthly payments of £6.

Support for Pupil Premium Families

Families eligible for **Pupil Premium funding** will receive a **reduced rate** for all trips. This will be reflected on My Child At School with the same payment schedule as above.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Knibb
Herons Class Teachers