



15th September 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of our study of the **Norman Conquest**, we are pleased to offer Year 7 students the opportunity to visit **Mountfitchet Castle** on **Friday 16 October 2026**.

Mountfitchet Castle is a unique reconstruction of a Norman motte-and-bailey castle, providing students with an excellent opportunity to deepen their understanding of life following the Norman Conquest. The visit will allow students to explore a Norman castle, learn about medieval society, and bring their classroom learning to life. The cost of the trip is **£18** which covers entrance to the castle and the coach hire. It will be available on the My Child At School app. If you are experiencing financial difficulty and may need support please contact the school office so that we can work to support you with this.

Travel Arrangements

Students will depart from school in the morning and return before the end of the school day. The visit will take place entirely within normal school hours.

Clothing and Equipment

Students are permitted to wear their **school PE kit** for the visit. As the day will involve time outdoors, we recommend that students wear suitable footwear and bring a waterproof coat if poor weather is forecast.

Lunch

Students will need to bring a **packed lunch** and a drink. If your child is entitled to a free school meal and requires a packed lunch from school, please contact us in advance so that arrangements can be made.

Behaviour Expectations

As with all educational visits, students are expected to demonstrate excellent behaviour and represent the school positively at all times. Normal school behaviour expectations will apply throughout the trip.

This visit will provide a valuable opportunity for students to enhance their understanding of the Norman Conquest and support their learning in History.

The deadline for returning Medical forms in **Friday October 2nd**. These can be completed electronically and emailed to ICS-office@attrust.org.uk , or alternatively physical forms can be handed to any member of the humanities department. If you have any questions regarding the visit, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

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