

St. John the Evangelist Catholic Academy

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"Lord be thy word my rule."

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Dear Parents and Carers,

ALTON CASTLE RETREAT – November 2026

We have organised a special retreat at Alton Castle for children who will be in Year 5, 2026/2027. The trip will take place in 18th – 20th November 2026.

This visit will enable our children to experience a religious retreat where many spiritual, social and physical activities will be available to them. They will take part in outdoor activities to help them grow as individuals as well as time for personal reflection and prayer.

The children will be on retreat with other children from St Josephs and St George and St Martins. The cost of the trip is £190.00.

This can be paid by either:

- Paying the deposit and paying the full amount by Monday 28th December 2026 via Arbor
- Paying the deposit plus 3 payments of £50.00 by Monday 28th December 2026 via Arbor

We will require a deposit of £40, via Scopay to secure the place, by 30th September 2026.

There will be a short information session for anyone who would like to find out more information or ask any questions on Monday 14th September in the Y5 classroom (during the new class induction meetings). If you would like your child to take part in this wonderful opportunity, please give consent as soon as possible, via Arbor.

This trip will be on Arbor from the 2nd September for consent and payment.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Rigby
Principal