



Ready, Respectful, Resilient

Headteacher: Mrs T Price BA (Hons) MA Ed

14 April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

For the end of year trip, Year 7 and 8 students will be attending Alton Towers on **Friday 17th July 2026**. Coaches will leave school at 9am and will return at approximately 5:00pm; this will ensure students have a full day to enjoy the theme park. School uniform need not be worn.

The total cost of the trip is **£35.10** which will cover the cost of admission, transport and insurance. If your child has a Merlin pass, then this can be used, in which case the cost will be £10.10 for the coach fare.

Students may wish to purchase their lunch at Alton Towers, or the alternative is to take a packed lunch which, if necessary, may be obtained from school for students who are in receipt of Free School Meals. Please email hdalglesh@jamesbateman.staffs.sch.uk

The closing date for this trip is **Friday 3rd July 2026**.

Whilst at the theme park, the students will **not be accompanied by staff**, as they will be given the opportunity to explore the attraction in small groups, unless your child has a designated one-to-one support staff. At all times, a central location point will be staffed by ourselves. All students will be asked to come back to the meeting point midway through the day to check in and again to register at the end of the day.

At the end of the day, we will be leaving promptly at the specified departure time. Any students who are late to the meeting point will need to be collected by their parents or carers. While we will make every effort to contact students who are not present, please note that we can only allow a 15-minute window before departure. After this time, we will no longer be able to wait.

In line with our Behaviour Curriculum, participation will be based on students demonstrating our school values both in lessons and around the school. This includes:

- Maintaining attendance in line with national expectations.
- Having no more than 20 Behaviour Points between 14th April - 16th July 2026.
- Demonstrating consistently positive behaviour and respect for others.

If you have paid for a place for your child and they are not permitted to attend before the deadline of 3rd July 2026, then this may be refunded; however, after this date, costs may be incurred due to a school ticket and transport having been purchased and a full refund may **not** be possible.

All payments are to be made on Arbor.

Places are limited, so will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Students who are not successful in gaining a place will be put onto a waiting list.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Perkin and Mr Champ

Year 8 and 7 Progress Leaders