



Corsham Primary School



Year 3 Visit to The Matthew, Bristol Thursday 11 June 2026

March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our Enquiry 'Why did people travel in the past?', we would like to organise a Year 3 trip to the Matthew in Bristol on Thursday 11 June. The children will all take part in a boat trip around the harbour. They will learn how sailors navigated the seas, why they went, what they were trying to find and where they ended up. They will also visit the M Shed which has three galleries revealing the fascinating story of Bristol from prehistoric times to the present day.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £20.56 per child. (Please note the DfE rules: "Children of parents who are unable, or unwilling to contribute may not be discriminated against. However, if there are insufficient voluntary contributions made to cover the cost of the trip, or activity, and there is no alternative method to make up the shortfall, then the school should cancel the activity. Where there are not enough voluntary contributions, and there is no way to make up the shortfall, for example school funds and/or fundraising activities, then it must be cancelled".)

Should you require financial assistance with this trip, please refer to our charging and remissions policy which can be found on our school website.

This cost has been broken down below:

Child entry to the Matthew	£9.12
M Shed tour	£1.00
Coach	£10.44
57 children attending	£20.56 per child

We are contacting you early as payment can be made in full or if you would prefer a more flexible schedule, you can start making payments each week or each month up to the due date 19 May.

We will be leaving the school by coach at 9am and returning in time for the end of the school day. Your child will need to bring a packed lunch or you can order and pay for a school packed lunch if you prefer. If your child is entitled to a free school packed lunch then we will organise this.

Please ensure your child brings a waterproof coat and if it is warm, a sun hat and SPF suncream should be applied before coming to school if possible.

This is an exciting trip in Year 3 and we are looking forward to it and hope to gain lots of valuable learning. Please give your permission and make your contribution of £20.56 via your Arbor Parent Portal by Tuesday 19 May 2026. We would also like to remind you to check that all medical and emergency contact details held at school for your child are up to date and make any changes by Monday 1 June. Please be aware that this trip can only go ahead if we receive enough contributions.

Yours faithfully

Year 3 Team