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Dear Parents/Carers,

ALTON CASTLE RETREAT – Monday 17th November – Wednesday 19th November 2025

We have organised a special retreat at Alton Castle for children who will be in Year 5, 2025/2026. The trip will take place **Monday 17th November – Wednesday 19th November**.

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. This will be done alongside other children from Year 5 in the Newman Catholic Collegiate schools.

The cost of the trip is £148.00. This can be paid by either;

- paying the full amount by Friday 31st October 2025 via Scopay
- arranging a payment plan via standing order to spread the cost over 9 months - £16.48 for the first month, followed by 8 payments of £16.44 per month, beginning 28th February 2025.

If you would like your child to take part in this wonderful opportunity, please return the reply slip below as soon as possible, indicating your payment preference.

Many thanks for your support and co-operation.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Rathbone
Principal

I, _____, give consent for my child _____

to visit Alton Castle from **Monday 17th November – Wednesday 19th November 2025**

I agree to contribute £148.00 towards the cost of the trip and agree to;

- paying the full amount by Friday 31st October 2025
- arranging a payment plan over 9 months

