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Year 5 - The Surrey Street Fountain Restoration Project - Friday 26th April

Dear Parent/Carer,

As a part of celebrating History at PHJS, Year 5 pupils are being given the exciting opportunity to witness the Surrey Street Fountain Restoration project. As we know, Croydon's town centre has ancient origins. Bronze age remains have been found and there are suggestions linking it to the Roman times as well. By the 9th century, Croydon (meaning "crooked valley" or "saffron valley") had become a Saxon stronghold. Surrey Street Market is one of the oldest known street markets in Britain, trading since 1276. Built around 1896, the fountain is an important heritage and its restoration is a vital History project. **On Friday 26th April, our Year 5 students will participate in this project as below:**

Guided Tour: Each Year 5 class will be taken on a guided tour of the restoration project. They will walk into Croydon to have the opportunity to see the fountain up close and learn about the different stages of the restoration process. This is an opportunity for them to learn first-hand from conservation and stone-working experts. Parents volunteers are very welcome to join their classes - please inform the class teacher if you are interested.

9:10am - 9:55am = 5F

10:00 am - 10:45 am = 5P

10:50 am - 11:35am = 5L

Hands-On Activities: To make the experience interactive, there will be a follow-up workshop at school for each class, involving creative activities such as sculpting.

Overall, this experience will provide our pupils with a unique and hands-on learning experience, while also fostering an appreciation for history, conservation, and community involvement.

Your sincerely,

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