Cromwell Learning Community Multi Academy Trust

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Dear Parent/ Carers,



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'Back to Backs' Experience

Over the next two weeks the Yr.1 pupils across the MAT will step back in time with a visit to the 'back to back' houses in Birmingham. Known as Court 15 they were 'home' to a range of ordinary people living extraordinary lives.

Built quickly and cheaply, everyone in the court houses shared a 'brewhouse' to do their washing and they

also shared a small number of outdoor 'privies'. As a result, washing of clothes and blankets took place on just one day of the week and a tin bath filled with water in front of the fire (shared by the whole family) meant bath time wasn't much more frequent!

Such a way of life was shared with people from across the world, all living side by side, and many practising one of the city's 'thousand trades' from their home.

This will be an amazing way to introduce the children to the 'past' and see for themselves how the home environment has changed over the years.

Dates of visits are as such:

Tuesday 13th September – 1A (Bordesley Village) Wednesday 14th September – 1B (Bordesley Village Wednesday 21st September – Yr.1 (Cromwell)

The cost of this visit will be £11 per pupil, payable via SchoolMoney. If this presents a problem, please see a member of the administrative team who will be able to help. Lunch will be provided by the school.

We hope all our families will support the visit(s) that aim to capture your child's interest and hook them in to their learning.

Yours sincerely,

Rubína Darr &

Executive Headteacher

Julie Fisher Head of School





