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Our ref: SSo/EHi/SWi
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Dear Families,

As part of our Victorian Studies topic, Year 9 students will be visiting the National Trust's **Birmingham Back to Backs** on Tuesday 20th October 2026.

This exciting educational visit will give students the opportunity to step back in time and experience what life was like for working families in Victorian Birmingham. Through exploring the restored historic houses and interactive exhibits, students will learn about Victorian homes, daily life, working conditions and the challenges faced by people living in the city during this period. The visit will provide a valuable opportunity to bring classroom learning to life.

We will be leaving school at approximately 9:00am, walking to Hednesford Railway Station and will travel by train to Birmingham. From Birmingham New Street Station, it is a short walk to the Birmingham Back to Backs. We will then travel back to Hednesford train station and will return to school in time for normal transport home. Students should wear their normal school uniform. Please ensure your child wears comfortable footwear suitable for walking and brings a waterproof coat.

Students may either bring a packed lunch from home or order a grab bag from the school kitchen if they are eligible for Free School Meals.

The cost of the visit is **£12.00 per student which is payable on Arbor**, this covers travel and admission to the Birmingham Back to Backs. Students may also wish to bring a small amount of spending money should they choose to purchase a souvenir from the gift shop. Please be aware that Hednesford Valley High is a cashless school; therefore, if students wish to purchase items during the visit, they will need to bring and manage their own spending money responsibly. If your child is bringing a debit or payment card, please ensure they know their PIN and that the card is in working order.

All educational visits are covered by the Department for Education's Risk Protection Arrangement. As this visit is considered to involve only normal everyday risks, no additional insurance has been arranged.



We are confident that this visit will be both enjoyable and educational, providing students with a memorable experience that will enrich their understanding of Victorian Britain.

If you have any questions regarding the visit, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S. Williams

Teacher

HEDNESFORD VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

Year 9 Visit to Birmingham Back to Backs - Victorian Experience - Tuesday 20th October 2026

(Please return this slip to Mrs Williams by Friday 9th October 2026)

Student Name: _____

Tutor Group: _____

☐ I give permission for my child to attend the Birmingham Back to Backs Victorian Experience on 20th October 2026.

Lunch Arrangements

Please tick one option:

- ☐ My child will bring their own packed lunch.
- ☐ My child is eligible for Free School Meals and requires a grab-bag lunch from the school kitchen.

Signed: _____

(Parent/Carer with parental responsibility)