



MALCOLM SARGENT PRIMARY SCHOOL

Love To Learn

30 January 2019

Dear Parents of Y5 Children

TRIP TO WOODSIDE WILDLIFE AND FALCONRY PARK – 13 MARCH 2019

As part of our science theme 'Living Things and their Habitats' we have arranged for the children to visit Woodside Wildlife Park and Falconry Park, Newball, near Lincoln. This will allow us to be up close to a range of different animals. During the day we will tour around the park, watch a birds of prey demonstration, watch the big cats/wolves being fed and handle different reptiles. A ranger will be with us during our tour to enhance our experience.

Under the school's new Charging and Remissions Policy, this activity is classed as optional. That means that it is not a required activity under the national curriculum. In order to make the trip viable, we are requesting a voluntary contribution from parents to cover the cost of the transport, entrance fee and activities of **£16.00 per child**. There is no obligation for parents to make a contribution and I would reassure you that no child will be excluded from this activity simply because their parents are unwilling or unable to pay. However, if insufficient voluntary contributions are raised to fund this activity, and the school cannot fund it via another source, the activity will be cancelled. **The deadline for payment to be received to allow for cancellation is 1 March 2019.**

Remissions are available for this activity if parents are in genuine financial difficulty. However, funding is limited and there is no guarantee that all requests can be met. Parents in receipt of certain benefits, such as those applicable to Free School Meals, may request assistance with the costs of activities by contacting Mrs Town at the school office in confidence at the earliest opportunity. Decisions regarding funding will be made at the discretion of the Principal on a case by case basis.

Children should be at school at normal time on 13 March to leave school at 0915. We will leave the park at 1400 and hope to arrive back at school by the end of the day depending on traffic. If we are running late we will notify school so that they can send out a Parentmail text. For this reason, please ensure that your details are up to date on Parentmail.

The children need to bring packed lunch. Please remember that we are a healthy school and the pack up should not contain fizzy drinks, sweets or chocolate bars. If you order a hot lunch, we will automatically swap it to a pack up. You will need to provide additional healthy drinks and snacks for during the day. If your child is eligible for a free school meal, please contact Mrs Bell to arrange this.

Children should wear full school uniform please. In case of wet weather please provide your child with a coat.

If your child has an asthma inhaler or epi-pen in school, we will take these with us automatically. If he/she needs any other medication such as for travel sickness, please speak to your child's class teacher before the trip and then on the morning of the trip, hand to the teacher in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled with the medication name, child's name, dose amount and time.

This will be an amazing day for your child and I do hope they will all be able to attend.

Yours sincerely

Mrs H Breslin
Year 5 Class Teacher