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**Year 5 & 6 Trip to Marwell Zoo
Monday 13th November**

Dear Year 5 & 6 Parents/Carers,

I am very pleased to tell you that our educational visit for next half term is to Marwell Zoo, Coldham Common, Winchester. The purpose of this visit is in support of next term's Science topic on Evolution and Adaptation.

- We will leave school at 9.00am sharp and be back before the end of the school day, so you can collect children as normal.
- We are travelling with Laguna Coaches in two coaches, both equipped with seat belts.
- Children should wear school uniform and bring a coat, as we will be outdoors for most of the day.
- Children will need to bring a packed lunch.
- Mrs Mayall will be the group leader, Mr Green and Miss Gibaud will also be going, along with a number of Teaching Assistants and parent volunteers.
- Groups will have a ratio of 1 adult to 6 children.

During the visit the children will spend the day around the zoo, completing linked activity sheets, in small groups, each supervised by a member of staff. Late morning, there will be a 45 minute workshop in learning groups, led by the Zoo's Education Team, on the subject of Adaptation. We will then have further time to continue to visit the rest of the Zoo in our supervised small groups. We will all sit to eat a packed lunch, under a covered outdoor area at lunchtime.

Mrs Mayall and Miss Gibaud will be visiting Marwell Zoo prior to the trip to carry out a risk assessment in line with Hampshire County Council guidelines.

Please do not give your child any pocket money, as we would rather the children made the most of their time visiting the animals in the Zoo rather than wandering around a gift shop. There is also no need for your child to bring a mobile phone. The school can contact Mrs Mayall if there is an emergency. (School number is 01425 672272). If your child would like to bring a camera for their own use, they will be expected to take full responsibility for this. However, we will be taking school ipads and cameras to support our work.

The school's normal behaviour policy will apply at all times and we will withdraw children from activities should we feel it is necessary to ensure their safety or that of others.

The cost of the visit will be **£12.80** per child. This is a voluntary contribution.

If we do not receive enough contributions we will not be able to go ahead with this visit. We receive funding for any families eligible for Pupil Premium, so the cost for these pupils will be paid for from this funding.

Please return the permission slip and contribution **by Tuesday 3rd October.**

Thank you for your continued support with your child's learning.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mayall, Mr Green and Miss Gibaud



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Name Class

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I give permission for my child to attend the trip

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I enclose £12.80

Medical Information:

Any updated/additional medical information

Parent/Carer Help:

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I am available to help. Parent Name

Parent/Carer Signature Date