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Y1 Trip to Shire Brook Valley Visitor's Centre and Zoo Lab visit

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

As part of our topic this half term - 'Carnival of animals', the children will be studying common animals including fish, amphibians, reptiles, birds and mammals. To enhance their learning we have organised a trip to **Shire Brook Valley Visitor's Centre, Stone Lane**. This is an **all day trip, on Wednesday 21st June**.

The children will take part in 2 activities run by rangers.

Session 1 – Pond dipping and a look at how animals breathe in a pond (looking at differences between insects / fish / amphibians / mammals / reptiles).

Session 2 – A walk around the reserve including birdsong, animal identification, building homes for cuddly toy animals, herbivore menu (collecting what a herbivore would eat), then outdoor art trying to make the structure of different animals using sticks and vegetation.

We have also organised a visit from **Zoo Lab**: they will be coming into the school on **Friday 7th July 2017**. The children will have a hands-on, animal-handling workshop experience with real-life animals that include vertebrates and invertebrates. Pupils explore the characteristics of the different classes of animal – so they can uncover their differences and similarities themselves. The workshop gets pupils to consider the big ideas of science and relate physical and behavioural characteristics to species survival or extinction. Biodiversity, adaptations and interdependence are also featured as part of this workshop's focus on developing scientific inquiry and scientific literacy with a global perspective

Additional information for the Shire Brook Valley Visitor's Centre only

Packed Lunch

On the day of the trip children can either bring a **packed lunch from home or order a school packed lunch on the attached slip**. If you would like to order a school packed lunch please bring the slip back to school by Friday 16th June 2017 so that we can let the kitchen staff know.

All children will need to bring a drink on the day of the trip in a named water bottle.

Clothing

Please send your child to school on the day of the trip wearing comfy, closed toe shoes, a waterproof coat and their school jumper (this makes them easily identifiable!).





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Payment

In order for these activities to take place all parents are asked to make a voluntary contribution to cover the full cost of the enrichment activity detailed. In the event of a shortfall in contributions the head teacher, in discussion with senior colleagues, will make a decision as to whether the trip will take place. For all non-residential experiences, children in receipt of pupil premium funding will be paid for by the funds which school receives. Total cost of trip is as follows:

Shire brook trip

Cost per child = £2.90
Travel cost per child = £3.73

Parent pay fee = £0.50

Total cost per child = £11.32

Zoo lab trip

Cost per child = £4.19

Please **make this payment** via parent pay and **return all permission slips** (on the attached page) by **Friday 16th June 2017**.

Parent Helpers

We would really appreciate parent helpers to accompany us on our **Shire Brook Valley Visitor's Centre**, trip! If you are available and would like to join us please check the appropriate box on the reply slip (on the attached page) and write your name. If you have volunteered in school before e.g. for growing club, reading etc. and have a CRB check **with Dore Primary School** then please let us know by checking the appropriate box (you do not need a CRB check to accompany us, this is information for our risk assessment). Unfortunately, we are limited with the number of spare seats on the coach, so you may be asked to make your own way to the Visitor's Centre.

Many thanks for your ongoing support,

The Y1 team





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Permission Slip

I give permission for my child _____(name) to participate in the visit to **Shire Brook Valley Visitor's Centre on Wednesday 21st June 2017**.and the zoo lab visit **Friday 7th July**.

I have paid Parent Pay to the cost of £_____. **Shire Brook and Zoo lab**

Please make a note of any medication your child will require during the trip/ zoo lab visit e.g. inhaler etc:

Please give an emergency contact name and phone number **for the day of trip/visit**:

Printed Name: _____ Tel No: _____

Signed (parent/carer): _____ Date: _____

School Packed Lunch for Shire Brook Please tick:

- My child needs a **school** packed lunch on the day of the trip.
- My child will bring a **packed lunch from home** on the day of the trip.

Parent Helpers

Please tick:

- I can help on the day of the trip. My name is _____.
- I have an up to date CRB check with Dore Primary School.

