

BOURNE ELSEA PARK CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

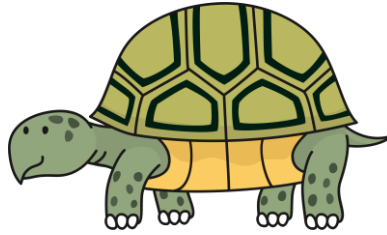
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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 2 Visit to Rutland Zoo

As part of our Sensational Safari topic, we have arranged for our Year 2 children to visit Rutland Zoo on **Tuesday 12th July 2022**. The children will be spending the day with the zookeepers to learn about the animals' varied habitats and how the keepers care for their animals. The children will have the opportunity to feed and interact with some of the animals, visit the aviary to meet a variety of birds and will be having their picnic with 'Gorgeous George', the zoo's resident tortoise and his friends! This visit will have fantastic links to our science curriculum as we will learn about a range of wonderful creatures.

During the visit the children will have the opportunity to handle some of the animals if they wish, with the expertise of the zookeepers. The animals that may take part in the workshop are: meerkats, snakes, lizards, birds, stick insects, cockroaches, rodents and tortoises. These may vary slightly on the day. We will of course ensure strict hand hygiene and safety procedures.

Please ensure that we have up to date allergy information for your child and do please contact your child's class teacher regarding phobias or worries that they may have about the animals.

We will leave school at 9:20am and will return before the end of the school day.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £25.20 per child, in order that this event can go ahead. We do appreciate that this is a more expensive visit that we would normally plan, but hope you will agree that the opportunity for the children is worth it. Rutland Zoo operates on contributions from members of the public so the entry fee will go directly to items such as food and medication for the rescued animals. Consent should be given and payment made via ParentMail +Pay by **Wednesday 6th July 2022**. Please be aware that the event will not go ahead without sufficient support.

The children will need to wear:

- trousers/leggings/jogging bottoms/something comfortable & suitable for the weather (no skirts or dresses)
- trainers or old shoes
- school t-shirt or polo shirt and school jumper or cardigan

The children will need to bring with them, in a suitable bag or backpack that they can carry themselves:

- a packed lunch and 2 resealable drinks (not fizzy)
- a sun hat/sun cream
- a lightweight raincoat

Please apply sun cream in the morning before school and administer travel sickness medication if necessary.

The children will not need any money on the day.

If you are available to accompany us, please speak to your child's class teacher. Please note that an Enhanced DBS will be required due to the nature of this visit.

Yours sincerely,

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Class Teacher