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Dear Parents/Carers

YEAR 1 ZOOLAB VISIT

As part of our 'Paddington's Adventures' topic, ZooLab Company will be visiting Year 1 on **Tuesday 17th June 2025** to present their 'Classification' workshop. This company has visited school before in previous years and has been very popular during SciFest.

The children will get to explore and understand how animals use their senses within their habitats and how animals are classified. They will learn about how animals perceive their surroundings and how well their senses are adapted to them. This will support the children's learning in our science curriculum about habitats, senses and how animals are grouped.

During the session the children will have the opportunity to make hands-on discoveries of textures and senses in an animal handling experience with the expertise of the ZooLab presenter. The animals that may be included in the workshop are: stick insects, a tarantula, a scorpion, giant millipedes, cockroaches, a giant African land snail, a tree frog and a small mammal. 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 particular phobias or worries that they may have about the visiting animals.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£6.45 per** child towards the cost of the workshop. Please be aware that the sessions will not go ahead without sufficient support. Payment should be made by ParentMail +Pay.

When deciding whether or not to run such an event, consideration has been given to the increased pressure on family finances due to the current economic climate. Please do let us know if you require any additional support in this respect by emailing BEP.enquiries@abbeyacademies.co.uk.

We are all looking forward to an exciting day.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Trafford and Mrs C Evans