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Dear Parents/ Carers

6th October 2023

RLT and RJV Educational Visit to Thorndon Park – Tuesday 7th November 2023

It is intended to take the children in RLT and RJV on an educational visit on Tuesday 7th November 2023 to Thorndon Park. They will take part in a guided Gruffalo Trail led by the Forest Rangers where the children will learn about animal habitats, make environmental art and experience storytelling. In school, the children will be learning of the Gruffalo through storytelling and role-play and this trip will give them the chance to find the hidden characters from the story. We know that this first-hand experience will inspire the children's learning within school. **There will be at least 12 adults from the school accompanying the children. We can reassure you that they will be well looked after.** A coach will leave school at 9.30am and return to school for the end of the day. To finance the trip we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution of **£16.15** for each pupil. The preferred, most secure method of payment is via our online system, you will have already received details on how to set up an account for your child. If you need any assistance, please contact the school office. When you pay online, it will count as giving permission for your child to take part in this educational visit.

The children will not need any spending money on this occasion. Clearly, the visit will not take place if parents do not support it. If you feel payment will cause you financial difficulties, please make an appointment to discuss this with me.

Children do not need to wear school uniform. Please can they wear long trousers, a long-sleeved top and a warm coat. The children will be exploring the forest and are very likely to get muddy, so please do not send them in their best clothes! Wellies or old trainers/sturdy shoes suitable for the forest can be worn. Waterproof clothing/shoes might be needed if it is wet. The children should bring with them a packed lunch, in a named plastic bag and a drink, preferably in a carton or plastic container and not in a glass or other fragile bottle. **All children in KS1 are now entitled to Free School Meals. We are more than happy for you to supply your child's packed lunch, but if you wish to order a 'brown bag' packed lunch please complete the attached form and return to the school office. These MUST be returned by Friday 20th October 2023. Orders cannot be taken after this date.**

Should you feel that you are not keen on your child participating then please come and see me before making a final decision.

Yours sincerely

Mrs N Haslam-Davis
Headteacher

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