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'Valuing Everyone As Learners'

22nd March 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 1 Educational Visit – Colchester Zoo on Wednesday 1st May 2024

We will be taking the children to Colchester Zoo on Wednesday 1st May 2024. The children will be learning about the animal groups – mammals, reptiles, birds, amphibians, fish and insects. The children will also be spotting the key features of animals and how they can use this information to help identify and categorise them.

The coach will leave school at 9am and arrive back at school for approximately 3.15pm. Children will need to be in school by no later than 8.50am.

To finance the visit, we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution of $\pounds 18.77$ for each pupil. This is to cover the cost of the trip and coach travel.

This is a very worthwhile trip. If parents are unable to pay, could you please see your child's class teacher or contact the school office. Clearly, the visit will not take place if parents do not support it. Payment should be made via your child's SCOPAY account, also linked to your account will be a form for permission to attend the trip, all Year 1 children are entitled to Free School Meals and are able to order their packed lunch on the form also, orders cannot be taken after Tuesday 23rd April 2024.

School uniform will not need to be worn for this visit. Children should wear comfortable clothes and shoes as there will be a lot of walking this day. The children should bring with them a snack, packed lunch and a drink in a carton or plastic container and not in a glass or other fragile bottle.

This type of visit has immense educational value, being an extension of work carried out in the classroom. We hope that every pupil in Year 1 will be able to enjoy and benefit from this visit.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Russell, Mrs Tatnell & Mrs McLean Year 1 Class Teachers

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