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Wednesday 3rd November 2021

Dear Parent / Guardian,

In advance of our visit to the zoo on Monday we wanted to go through a few of the arrangements.

Departing and returning

We are aiming to leave the school site at around 09:30 / 09:40 so that we arrive at the zoo for opening time (10:00).

We have planned to leave the zoo at 14:15 to arrive back at school between 14:45 and 15:00. The children will be taken into school and dismissed in the normal way at the normal time.

Coaches



With a view of reducing any covid-19 risks, we are using six coaches meaning that each year group will be allocated a coach apart from one which will have two year groups on board.

Parking on Quarry Lane

Please could we ask for your support in leaving the site promptly at the start of the day so that the coaches are able to park as close as possible to the school. They should arrive at the site between 09:20-09:40.



We also ask for your support at the end of the day so we are able to get the coaches as close as possible to the school. This helps us to ensure that the children are taken off the coaches and moved into school safely. Considerate parking at school pick up would therefore be appreciated.

Appropriate Clothing



We ask that the children wear their school jumper as this aids identification when at the zoo.



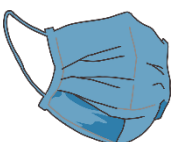
The children will be doing a lot of walking during the day so comfortable footwear is essential. An appropriate coat is also a must.

Weather Forecast

The weather forecast will be checked prior to our visit. Currently the forecast for Monday 8th is reasonable. 13°C, light cloud and a gentle breeze with a 20% chance of rain. Please bear this forecast in mind when selecting clothing and footwear for your child.

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Face Coverings



The zoo does not require children to wear face coverings around the site other than the sloth enclosure. As we have allocated a coach per class we do not require the children to wear face coverings on the coach but should you wish your child to wear one please feel free to send one along.



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Around the zoo

Staff will be following a common sense approach when moving around the zoo. If an area appears to be very busy or congested staff it will be avoided and alternative routes taken.



The zoo has confirmed that all of the indoor exhibits are due to be open apart from the bat enclosure. Following the zoos risk assessment, all internal exhibits apart from the sloth enclosure can be visited without the need for a face covering.

Lunch



The children will be carrying their lunch with them for the duration of the day. It is advisable that they either bring a bag they are comfortable carrying or a named bag that they can dispose of once they have eaten their lunch.

If your child is having a lunch provided by school, this will be provided in a paper bag.

Snack

Parents are welcome to send a small snack with their child should they wish to.

Spending money

We will not be visiting any shops whilst at the zoo so no spending money is required.

Contacts



A set of contacts will be taken on the trip by the trip leader and all staff will have their mobile phones on them. The school office will be manned as normal, so can be contacted at any point should there be any issues or concerns.

Thank you for your support. We hope that the children have a fantastic experience and enjoyable day.



Yours sincerely

Mr Mitchell



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