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Thursday 31st May 2018

Dear Parents,

Visit to Colchester Zoo

On Tuesday 12th June 2018, Year 4 are planning to visit Colchester Zoo as part of their Rainforest Warriors topic. The day will allow the children to gain a better children's understanding of geographical features of a tropical rainforest, including the types of animals and wildlife that live/grow there. As well as exploring the Zoo's exhibits, we will listen to a rainforest talk given by one of the Zoo's animal handlers.

The coach will leave after registration, at 9.15am and will return before the end of school. The children will need to wear school uniform. They will need a packed lunch with plenty of drink for the day. If your child has free school dinners, the school office will contact you.

In order for this visit to take place, we are asking you to make a contribution of £18.50 to cover the visit and transport costs.

If your child has a Gold card for Colchester Zoo, please contact the office as we may be able to offer a reduced price.

Although such a contribution is voluntary, in reality we have no alternative source of funding. Before the date of the visit the Governors will assess whether sufficient contributions have been received to make the visit financially viable. If it is not considered viable, it will be cancelled and all contributions will be refunded. In cases of financial hardship, any requests for the contribution to be waived will be treated sympathetically, do come and talk to us in confidence if this is the case. As this educational visit is taking place in school hours, we are not permitted by law (Education Act 1996) to exclude from such a visit children of parents choosing not to contribute to the cost.

If you would be interested on coming on the trip, we have a small number of available spaces and these will be given on a first come, first served basis. Please speak to your child's class teacher about this.

Please fill in and return the enclosed form by Wednesday 6th June 2018.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Bussell, Ann Clausen and Chris Jarvis

Name of child _____ Class _____

I give permission for my child to take part in the visit to Colchester Zoo on Tuesday 12th June 2018.

I enclose £18.50 for the cost of the visit/I have paid online (please delete one).

Signed _____ Parent/Carer