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Dear Parents

Visit to Colchester Zoo

On Monday 18th June 2018, Year 1 are planning to visit Colchester Zoo as part of their 'Planet Earth' topic. The day will consist of a walk around the zoo to find out about the animals and an 'Explore!' workshop where the children will explore different animal artefacts such as fur, feathers and scales! This will help them with classifying different animals.

The coach will leave after registration, at 9.15am and will return before the end of school. Children will need to wear school uniform and suitable clothing for the day, i.e. sunhats.

As part of the free school meals for Key Stage One initiative the school will provide your child with a packed lunch on the day. Please indicate on the reply slip which filling choice your child would like. Please also provide a named carrier bag for the lunch to go in, that can be thrown away after lunch. If you wish to provide your own packed lunch, please indicate this on the reply slip and bring it in a carrier bag that can be thrown away.

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 family has Gold Card membership at the Zoo please can you contact the school office.

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.

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

Yours sincerely

Miss Hancock and Miss Birchall

Name of child _____ Class _____

I give permission for my child to take part in the visit to Colchester Zoo on Monday 18th June 2018.

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

I would like my child to have a school packed lunch with the following sandwich filling:

Cheese

Ham

I will provide my child with a packed lunch

Signed _____ Parent/Carer Date _____