Thames View Infants







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Dear Parents/Carers:

Year 2 Visit to Rainham Marshes

This year, in order to support learning in our Science topic on Habitats, the children in Year 2 will be going to visit Rainham Marshes on the following dates:

Lions and Pandas – 16th May 2017 Hippos and Koalas – 17th May 2017

The visit will take place during school hours and the children will be back by 3.15pm.

On the day children will take part in various activities which will include learning about different environments and also how wildlife adapts to live in different kinds of habitats. Children will take part in a nature walk, a "scavenger hunt" and they will even have a go at pond dipping too! They will be closely supervised at all times and, as usual, a first aider will be present as well.

We will be travelling by coach. Your child will need to wear their school uniform and appropriate footwear. Packed lunches and plenty of water for all children will be provided by school on this day and so children will not need to bring anything extra into school with them. Please note that children will not need any spending money.

Top-Tips:

Please note that for this visit, we would also recommend the following:

- If it's a sunny day all children should wear a sun hat and have suncream applied.
- All children (including the girls) should wear long trousers.
- If it has been wet, old trainers or wellies are best.

















Parents of children who suffer from **hayfever** should ensure their child has taken any medication (there is lots of long grass on site).

Contribution Payment for the Visit

The total cost of the visit to school will be approximately £1,560 (or, in other words, £13 per child); however, we will use school funds to subsidise the majority of the costs incurred. Accordingly, we kindly ask you to help us by contributing £8 per child, which we ask you to pay via ParentMail.

If you have difficulty in paying, then it is important that you speak to either Donna Bonifacio or Kelly Ager as soon as possible. Unfortunately, if we don't receive sufficient contributions, we may have to either cancel the whole visit (less our deposit) or future planned visits through lack of funds – This is obviously something that we want to avoid.

Parent Helpers

There are a number of places on the coach and we hope some parents will come along to help us. If you are interested in helping you *must* complete and submit the ParentMail form which is now available. This needs to be done by Monday 23rd April at the latest. Please note that only volunteers who have completed this ParentMail form fully and have submitted it to us by this deadline will be considered. As soon as we have an idea of numbers, and if we need you, your child's teacher will let you know.

Consent Form

Please also note that, in order for your child to come on this visit, you need to complete the consent form on ParentMail and submit it back to us asap. Without your consent we cannot take your child on this visit.

Yours sincerely.

Paul Jordan Headteacher



Visit Checklist



1.	Complete the Consent Form in ParentMail – Needed ASAP	
2.	If you want to volunteer to help – Complete the Parent Helper Form in ParentMail – DEADLINE Monday 23 rd April – Please note that only ParentMail forms completed correctly and submitted by this date will be considered.	
3.	Make the Contribution Payment of £8 using ParentMail – Click on 'Payments' and then on 'Shop' add the item to your basket and checkout.	