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Tuesday, 21st April 2026

Reception Trip to Whipsnade Zoo Thursday, 11th June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our summer term thematic curriculum of 'Tiny Roots and Mighty Shoots' and 'At the Seaside', the children will be exploring a range of different habitats and the animals that live within them. To enrich and support this learning, we are delighted to share that we have organised a trip to Whipsnade Zoo. This visit will give the children a wonderful opportunity to observe a variety of animals up close and deepen their understanding of the natural world.

The visit will take place on **Thursday, 11th June 2026** and we will be travelling by coach so the children will need to be at school at **8.35am** on this date as the coach is due to depart promptly at 9.15am. We are due to return to school before 3.00pm, so the children can be collected at the usual time. We will, of course contact you if there are any delays.

Children are required to wear their school uniform and are expected to carry a backpack with their lunch and water bottle in. Please ensure that no cans or glass bottles are provided for health and safety reasons. If your child normally has school lunches, we are able to provide a packed lunch for them for the trip, and this will be covered under the universal infant free school meals. If your child normally brings a packed lunch to school, please also remember no snacks should be packed and lunch boxes should include food in line with our food and nutrition policy e.g. no sweets/chocolate, water only, grapes cut lengthways and **not** to provide anything that contains nuts.

If your child requires any medication specific to the trip that cannot be administered at home (i.e., anti-sickness or hay fever medication), please be aware that you are required to complete the relevant paperwork ahead of the trip. Please contact Miss. Fox for further information regarding this as we cannot accept medication when it is handed to Busy Living or straight to a member of staff. We must have the relevant paperwork in place.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the visit, which will be **£19.39**. This covers the entry fee and cost of transport, however we are excited to share that pass holders are able to go free, meaning you'll only have to cover the cost of transport, which will be **£9.89**. In order for us to determine exactly what you are required to pay, please kindly complete this [form](#) to confirm if you are a passholder. Please note that you will be required to provide us with the pass on the day. If you do not complete the form, we will assume that you're not a passholder. Please complete the form by **Sunday, 31st May**.

Please make payment via Arbor and complete this [form](#) to indicate if your child would like a packed lunch by **Sunday, 31st May**. We will also require parent/carer helpers on the day, so please kindly indicate on the form if you are available and willing to assist.

If you have any further questions about the trip, please do come and speak to us.

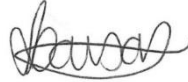
Yours faithfully,



Miss. Laura Dilks
EYFS AHT



Mr. Ryan Collard
Birch Class Teacher



Miss. Sarah Dawson
Hazel Class Teacher



Miss. Lucy Ladyman
Willow Class Teacher