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Thursday, 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026

**Year Three Alder Class**  
**11 Before 11 - Messing About on The River**  
**Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our 11B411 programme, which outlines 11 activities we believe children should have experienced by the age of 11, Year Three are going to be visiting Caldecotte Lake to partake in a 'Messing About on The River' experience. This will include a combination of canoeing, kayaking and paddleboarding.

The visit will take place on **Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June** and we will be travelling by coach. The children will need to be **in school by 8.00am** on this date as the coach is due to depart promptly at **8.20am**. The children will be returning in time for the end of the school day, so children can be collected at the normal pick-up time of 3.20pm. We will of course communicate accordingly should there be any delays.

If your child normally has school lunches, we are able to provide a packed lunch for them for the trip at a cost of £3.45 or for free if your child is in receipt of Free School Meals. If your child normally brings a packed lunch to school, you will need to ensure that no cans or glass bottles are provided for health and safety reasons, and please also remember **not** to provide your child with anything that contains nuts.

As this is a water activity, the children will be required to bring some additional items along with them. We recommend providing following:

- Old clothes that you do not mind getting wet (strictly no jeans). This includes trainers/shoes that can get wet.
- A bag which contains a full change of clothes to go home in. This is to include spare dry footwear and even underwear.
- Bring a pair of swimming trunks or a swimming costume (please wear this under clothes before arriving at school) and a towel.
- Sun cream to allow for warmer weather (also to be applied before arriving at school).
- Water bottle and an additional drink, especially if the weather is hot.

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 must have the relevant paperwork in place and cannot accept medication when it is handed to Busy Living or straight to a member of staff.

The PTA are kindly contributing towards the cost of this 11 Before 11 trip which has helped bring the price down significantly. We are however asking for a voluntary contribution to cover the remainder being £26.36. This covers the cost of the transport and activities. Payment is to be made via Arbor. Please be aware that insufficient contributions may mean that we need to cancel this trip. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, the school will fund the cost of the trip for your child. If you are experiencing difficulties meeting this payment, then please contact Mrs. Curtis-Cross via [email](#) to discuss.

Please make payment via Arbor and complete this [form](#) to indicate if your child would like a packed lunch by the close of play on **Sunday, 7<sup>th</sup> June**.

We will require parent/carer helpers on the day, so please kindly indicate on the form if you are available and willing to assist. If we are inundated with offers, we may need to pick names at random, but we will contact you to let you know either way.

Thank you for your continued support and if you have any further questions about the trip, please do come and speak to us.

Yours faithfully,



*Mr. Harris*

LKS2 Phase Leader & Year Three Cedar Class Teacher