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8th May 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 1 & 2 trip to Whipsnade zoo

As part of our science topic 'Animals including humans'. We will be visiting Whipsnade Zoo on **Monday 15th June**. A visit to the zoo will provide the children with a wonderful opportunity to see and experience a variety of animals up close, enhancing their understanding of different species, their habitats, and their adaptations. The children will take part in a variety of workshops held around the zoo, alongside talks with the keepers about the animals. This hands-on experience will support their learning in both Geography and Science, helping them make real-world connections to the topics explored in class.

We will be travelling by minibus and in order to meet our allocated slot please follow the times below.

We will need to leave **Great Staughton Primary Academy School** by **8.50 am**, so children should arrive at school no later than **8.35am** to give enough time for a toilet trip.

Children should be in full uniform with the exception of wearing trainers due to walking around the zoo. Children can choose to bring their own packed lunch or the school kitchen can provide your child with a packed lunch. This will consist of a sandwich, a piece of cake and fruit/vegetable snack with a bottle of water. Please ensure your child arrives with sufficient water for the day, but no fizzy drinks or yoghurts please. These should be in a clearly named bag. The children will be able to use a covered picnic site to eat.

The cost of this trip will be **£20.00/£10.00 for pupil premium children** this will include entry to the zoo, an immersive workshop, transport and a train ride this can be paid via Arbor. Please do not bring spending money for your child.

We anticipate arriving back to school around **3.15pm**. However, depending upon the traffic conditions this may change. Updates will be given via Facebook; please let the office know if you are unable to access Facebook. Please arrange to collect your child/ren from school at this time.

Please return the completed reply slip attached or email your permission and requirements by **no later than May 21st**.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to ask, or visit the Whipsnade zoo website at www.whipsnadezoo.org.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Kelly

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I give / do not give my permission for my child _____

to take part in the Year 1 & 2 trip to Whipsnade Zoo and be transported in the minibus.

Please tick the options below which are appropriate

- I will provide a packed lunch for my child
- I would like my child to be provided a pack lunch from the school kitchen (choice – ham/cheese sandwich – please delete as appropriate)

I require my child to go to (tick which are appropriate)

- Before school club
- After school club

I will ensure my child is at school by **8.35 am** and I will pay **£20.00/£10.00** per child via Arbor.

Signed _____

Date _____

