



**Bishops Down Primary and Nursery
School**

24 May 2024

Dear Y1 Parents and Guardians

Y1 trip to Kent Life, Maidstone on Tuesday 11th June

Year 1 are planning a trip to Kent Life in Maidstone on Tuesday 11th June 2024. The day will include a workshop linked to their current topic, School days for Y1, as well as an opportunity to see a working farm. We have been looking at plants and animals and their habitats so will also be able to study a different environment. There may also be a chance to visit at least one of the historic houses on the site depending on time and weather!

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£25.04** for your child to cover the cost of the visit. You are not obliged to contribute and no child will be excluded on financial grounds. However, if we cannot raise the total amount, the trip may have to be cancelled. If there are any difficulties in paying this amount, please see Mrs Johnson or Mrs Lightbody. Please make payments via the Gateway App.

As mentioned above, this is a working farm and includes a petting area – if your child has any specific allergies related to animals (or plants) please make staff aware and also make sure they have had antihistamine and are carrying their inhalers if needed. All health and safety protocols are in place including hand washing facilities.

Please note:

- Arrive at school at 8.30am. We will be walking to the coach at 8.55am.
- Normal collection time at 3.15pm.
- Children to wear school uniform and sensible shoes for possibly wet or muddy ground, they will also need a waterproof coat or sun hat and sun cream depending on the forecast.
- Children will need a snack, a packed lunch and a FULL water bottle - there are facilities to top them up if necessary.

Parent helpers will be required and please complete attached slip if you are able to help. As Year 1 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals please indicate on the attached reply slip if you will be providing a packed lunch for your child or if you would like the school to provide one. Please return the slip by 4th June.

Kind regards.

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Y1 Class Teacher

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Years 1 Kent Life visit on Tuesday 11th June 2024

Child's Name..... (please print)

- I have paid a voluntary contribution of £25.04 using Gateway **Yes/No**
- I am able to help on the day of this trip. **Yes/No**
- I would like the school to provide my child with a packed lunch **Yes/No**
- Packed lunch will include a cheese or ham sandwich please specify **Cheese/Ham**

Signed..... Date.....