

13th May 2024

Dear Parents

The Rowans and Beeches Class trip to Paignton Zoo

On Friday 5th July, we are hoping to take The Rowans and Beeches to Paignton Zoo.

The visit supports our science topic: 'Animals including Humans' and will take place within school hours.

It is essential that your child has the following: -

- a waterproof coat/sun hat dependent upon weather. Please apply sun cream at home before bringing your child to school.
- suitable footwear for walking
- a packed lunch* in a named plastic bag, to limit excess baggage. Please also provide a drink in a disposable container (no glass please).
- * If you would like to order a packed lunch through school for your child, please indicate your choice on the form.

To cover the cost of admission to the zoo and the coach, it will be necessary to ask for a voluntary contribution of **£13.70** per child. If your child is a member of Paignton Zoo, your child will be eligible for free admission, provided we have a copy of their membership card, and you will only be asked to make a contribution of **£3.75** towards the coach. Children will not be treated differently according to whether or not their parents have made a voluntary contribution. The activity can only take place if there are sufficient voluntary contributions.

If your child is a member, then please bring your child's membership card to the office for us to take a copy, as Paignton Zoo will need to be provided with the details prior to our trip. Please complete the <u>online consent form</u> by **Friday 14**th **June**, when a decision on the viability of this event will be made.

Our preferred method of payment for trips is online via My Child at School (MCAS), although we can take payments by credit or debit card through the office, if needed. The trip payment will be available on MCAS this afternoon from 6.00pm. If the event does not take place, donations will be refunded. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the office.

All children have initially been set up for parents to pay the full cost. Once proof of membership has been provided, we will add your child instead to the payment option where the admission cost has been removed.



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We would be grateful for any parent helpers to accompany us on the trip; if you are happy and able to support the class in this way, please also let us know on the form. If we have more volunteers to help than we can take, names will be drawn at random, and we will let you know if your name is selected.

We are delighted to be able to offer this opportunity for our children.

Yours sincerely

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