



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

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Dear parents/carers

16th November 2017

St David's class trip to Westonbirt - Monday 27th November 2017

As part of our new topic, "Planet Earth" the class will be spending the day at Westonbirt Arboretum on Monday 27th November 2017.

Our new topic is based around what planet earth has to offer. Within this unit, we will be improving our map reading and geographical skills; looking at plants and animals, how they survive, adapt and are classified as well as linking in lots of literacy work.

During our day at Westonbirt, we will complete an orienteering course around the woods looking for clues to complete a quiz about the different types of trees in the forest during the morning. We will then attend an evolution, classification and inheritance session in the afternoon. This will bring alive the science of evolution and classification while investigating the arboretum's exciting tree collection. The day will not only add an exciting element to our topic but also bring the skills the children will be learning in the classroom to life.

The cost of this trip will be £10 per child which covers the orienteering course, the session about evolution, classification and inheritance and the cost of the transport. In fulfilling the school's charging policy it is necessary to ask for a voluntary contribution of £10 per pupil to ensure this event takes place. Your child would not be denied a place on this visit if you decline to make a voluntary payment, but the school will not proceed with this visit unless it is clear that there will be sufficient voluntary contributions for it to be financed. Please pay via Parentpay.

On Monday 27th November, the children will need to be in school at the normal time of 8.40am. We will be leaving at 9.00am and returning for 3.00pm. Children will require a packed lunch. As much of the day will be spent outside (whatever the weather) it is important children are dressed appropriately. Walking boots or sturdy waterproof shoes would be ideal, as we will be walking through grass and forest terrain. Warm clothes including hats, gloves and a waterproof coat should be worn. **Children do not need to wear school uniform.** There will be a place for us to leave rucksacks (which will have our lunch in) so if the forecast looks like heavy rain, it might be an idea to pack a spare pair of socks and a lighter pair of shoes for the afternoon.

Please complete the form below and return by Wednesday 22nd November. If you have any questions about the day, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours faithfully

Miss Child and Mrs Ferris

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I do/do not* consent to my child going on the above class trip.

I can/cannot* pay £10.00 for the trip via Parentpay.

Signed

*delete as appropriate

G:Winword/PARENTS/September 2017/Ltr to St David's class re Westonbirt trip Nov 2017