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Dear Parents,

Year 1 and 2: Trip to Johnsons Zoo: Tuesday 4th November 2025

Linked to our learning in science this term, we are planning an **educational visit to Johnsons of Old Hurst: Johnsons Zoo**.

Link: <https://www.johnsonsofoldhurst.co.uk/zoo>

The trip will be on **Tuesday 4th November, within the school day**. The coach will depart at 9:15am and return to school at 3:00pm (approximately). Therefore, normal drop-off and collection times apply.

Our day will begin with a zookeeper introduction followed by a guided tour of the animals. In the afternoon, the zookeeper will lead us in a workshop about 'Fur, Scales and Feathers'. We will even have the exciting opportunity to handle some of the animals. Our learning at the zoo will enhance our upcoming science unit: 'Animals and their Needs'.

Children are not required to wear their school uniform but will need to wear **comfortable clothes and trainers (or other comfortable shoes)**. Some of the trip will be outside so children will need to wear **warm clothes, including a coat**.

We will be eating lunch in an indoor space at Johnsons. If you would like to book a school packed lunch, please let the school office know (please do not book in Arbor for this trip) by **Friday 24th October at the very latest**, otherwise children will need to bring their own packed lunch with them. **Please bring packed lunches in a named disposable carrier bag**. Your child only needs to attend with their lunch and a **water bottle**. You are welcome to send them with a small backpack to carry their belongings.

The cost of the trip will be £24.18 per pupil. However, **FOES have kindly offered to contribute £10.00 per pupil bringing the cost to £14.00 per pupil** – thank you, FOES; we really appreciate this.

Payment and permission for this trip is made via Arbor from today. The deadline for payment is Monday 3rd November. If you have concerns over meeting the cost of the trip, please make contact with Mr Abbs to discuss your situation further.

Do not send in any money with your child. There will be no opportunities to spend any.

Educational visits are a great opportunity for children to learn together and broaden their experiences outside the classroom. We are looking forward to this trip being a springboard for fantastic discussion and classification in science and recount writing in English later.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Barber

Year 1 and 2 Class Teacher