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9th March 2026

Dear Parents,

YEAR 2 OUTING TO SIR HAROLD HILLIER GARDENS – FRIDAY 17th APRIL 2026

Year 2 are learning about *Plant Growth* after the Easter break. In science, they will be investigating seeds, bulbs and plants and recognising the conditions required for germination and health plant growth. We would like to take Year 2 to Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, where the children will be able to explore and investigate a range of different species of plants at the arboretum, and then use this practical knowledge during the rest of the term to support their learning. We will be travelling by coach, leaving school at 9.20am and return by 3.00pm.

CLOTHING: The venue advice is for children to have their skin covered for tic protection

- **School jumper**
- Long trousers/jogging bottoms, these do not need to be school uniform
- Long socks
- Sturdy shoes - no sandals or flip flops.

All children must bring a drink of water in a plastic bottle.

LUNCH: If you would like school to provide a packed lunch for your child, please make sure that you order a sandwich meal on School Grid by Monday 13th April. If you have already pre-ordered a hot meal, please change it to a sandwich or if your child will bring a lunch from home, please cancel it on Schoolgrid. No sweets or fizzy drinks please.

The cost per child for this trip is £21.90
Payment is made in **MCAS > Store > 2025-2026 – Year 2 -Hilliers Arboretum**
If your child is entitled to a reduction under pupil premium, this is already reflected in MCAS. *The total cost of this trip is £1794.90. With our school budget under ever increasing pressure, we rely on the kind contributions from our families to cover the cost of these learning experiences. Without enough parental contributions, our trips would not be able to happen.*

We sometimes get asked if there is a way for parents to make an extra contribution towards the cost of trips. Parents who wish to kindly do this can go to Store > "2025-2026 - Yr 2 additional trip donations" *but please make sure your child's main payment is made through "Year 2 - Hilliers Arboretum" button*

Please complete the online permission form YEAR 2 TRIP – Please fill in this form

The support of parent helpers is essential on our trip, if you are willing and available, please use the section on the permission form to sign up – Thank you

Deadline for replies and payment is **Monday 13th April 2026.**

Yours sincerely

Miss Spray
Miss E Spray
Woodpeckers Class

Miss Collins & Miss Williams
Miss Collins & Miss Williams
Owls Class

Mrs Honan
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Ducks Class

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