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Dear Parent/Guardian,

As part of our Year 9 Geography curriculum, after half term students will be studying about the Rainforest. In this topic, students will be taught about the impacts of cutting down the Rainforest, how it's contributing to climate change and what effect this will have on our planet's species. We have teamed up with Chester Zoo to offer an exciting enrichment activity. We will be running a full day trip to Chester Zoo, and whilst at the zoo their expert conservation team will deliver a one-hour interactive tour workshop, looking at the importance of climate and sustainability.

In order to offer this fantastic opportunity to all of year 9, the trip and workshop, we will run the trip across two days, with 'H band' (9PT, 9ARO, 9RSW) students visiting the zoo on **Monday 31st March** and 'F band' (9PJ, 9SC, 9MBO) students visiting the zoo on **Tuesday 1st April**.

On the assigned day, students are to meet outside reception at 8:45am, where a register will be taken, ready for a prompt departure at 9:00am. Students can wear their own clothes, comfy footwear and a jacket are advised. You must bring a packed lunch, and may bring up to £20 to spend in the gift shop.

During the day students will be split into 3 groups and there will be a time slot allocated for each group to attend the workshop. The bus will return to school for 5pm.

The purpose of this experience is for students to have a wider awareness of climate change and conservation, they will learn that everyday choices can make a significant and positive difference to the climate. This is a great opportunity for students being able to apply knowledge taught in lessons to real life and understand how climate change is impacting the world's species.

The cost of the whole experience is £28.00, this covers a full day trip to the zoo, including a workshop provided by Chester zoo staff and transport costs. If your child receives free school meals, a packed lunch can be provided if requested.

The payment deadline is Friday 27th February, please pay on Sopay.

Yours faithfully

Mr B Birkinhead Teacher of Geography