

*'Live Fully, Laugh Often, Learn Deeply,
Love as God Loves You and Let Your Light Shine!'*

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 1 are off on a school trip! We will be taking the children to **Thorndon Country Park** on **Tuesday 23rd April 2024**. They will have lots of opportunities to take part in outdoor learning activities and will spend the day with all of their classmates. We cannot wait!

We would ask for a contribution of £25 towards the cost of the trip, which includes the coach and activities. Please make payment and give consent online via [Scopay.com](https://scopay.com) **from Friday 5th April**, the start of the financial year, and **by Friday 19th April**. Please contact the school office in confidence, if payment for the trip is a concern for you.

We recommend the following clothing for your child on the day of the trip (they will not need to wear school uniform):

- Layers of warm clothes
- Waterproof coat
- If you have them, waterproof trousers on wet days
- Sturdy, waterproof shoes or wellies, with a grip to the sole - *children should arrive at school wearing these*
- Hat, scarf and gloves
- Warm socks
- Spare shoes in a named carrier bag

The children **will** be taking part in outdoor learning and **will** get muddy – please bear this in mind when selecting clothes for the day of the trip. Please do check the weather on the day of the trip. Your child **must** bring a coat, even if it appears to be dry. Any spare clothes that your child would like to bring should fit in their rucksack. Please note that the children will be expected to carry their own bag when moving around the park, so please ensure that it is not too heavy.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch to school on the day of the trip. This lunch should be stored neatly in their rucksack. Your child will need two drinks (one small drink for lunch and a water bottle for the day). Your child's lunch should not contain any sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks, or any nuts or nut products.

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Your child will **not** need a camera, money or travel games. Also, they will not need their school book bag and reading wallet. Your child should arrive at school a little before the normal time at 8.40am. We will be leaving school at 9.15am and will return at the end of the school day. Class teachers will take their classes back to the classroom and dismiss the children per the normal routine.

We will need parent volunteers for the day to support and supervise small groups of children. If you are available to help, please email your child's teacher. We will inform you the week before the trip, if we need your help, and thank you.

We hope that your child looks forward to our school trip. Please do not hesitate to email your child's class teacher if you have any questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs Yerrell, Miss Coldwell, Mrs Cooke and Mrs Scullion
Year 1 Class Teachers

