



COTSWOLD FARM PARK

Early Years Foundation Stage Visit

28th February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday 9th April 2025, 'Crocodiles' and 'Elephants' will be visiting Cotswold Farm Park. The coach will leave at 9.30 am. As the venue is slightly further afield, we will return to school at **4.00pm** so you will need to be at school at 4:00pm to collect your child.

We will be outside for the majority of the day and want to ensure that the children remain dry and warm at all times. School uniform **does not** need to be worn but we ask that every child comes to school dressed appropriately for outdoor activity – trousers (no skirts please), warm layers (if the forecast is cold), a waterproof coat, wellington boots, change of footwear and hats and gloves (if needed). We will need to take the children's wellington boots with us so please send the children into school wearing **clean** wellington boots (so that they can be worn on the coach) and spare shoes in a named carrier bag so we can change into them when we are returning to school.

The cost of this trip is £21 per child. This price includes the entrance to Cotswold Farm Park, feed for animals and the cost of the coach. We appreciate that this is an expensive trip, but it is a fantastic learning opportunity for the children. The visit is to be paid for online via Arbor online payment. Please make your payment no later than **Wednesday 2nd April 2025**. Whilst the cost of the trip is a voluntary contribution, the trip may have to be cancelled if insufficient contributions are received. If you have any problems with payments*, please make an appointment to see either Mrs Thorp or Mr Groves as soon as possible.

Children will need to bring a small rucksack or similar so that they can carry their lunch around with them. Packed lunches can be ordered from Aspens by completing the Microsoft form below or alternatively you can supply your own. N.B. All other food orders placed for this day via the Aspens website will need to be cancelled.

Please click [here](#) to complete the attached form regarding medication requirements and ordering a school lunch. You will need to complete this form by **Wednesday 2nd April 2025**.

We also need a couple of parent helpers, so if you are available to help and have a current DBS with the school, please speak to your child's class teacher.

*Please note your child may be eligible for Pupil Premium Funding if you or your partner claim certain benefits such as Income Support/Job Seekers (Income based) etc. This means there may be funding available to pay for your child to go on school visits and they would also be eligible for Free School Meals (FSM). If you think you may qualify please go to <https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/council-services/childrens-services/schools-education-and-learning/free-school-meals>

NB: This is not to be confused with Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM) which is provided for all EYFS/KS1 children, or Pupil Premium Plus Funding which is provided for all Looked After Children.

With thanks,

The EYFS Team