

## Nyewood CE Infant School

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## "SMILING, CARING AND LEARNING TOGETHER ON A JOURNEY WITH GOD"

18th January 2024

## Dear Parents/Carers,

For our Terrific Take-off for our learning about 'Deep Blue Sea', we will be going on a trip to Blue Reef aquarium in Southsea. This will help us to inspire our learning, as well as being a wonderful experience for the children. The children will spend the day observing a variety of different sea creatures from across the globe. They will also attend a talk about animal habitats and adaptations, supporting our current science learning.

The trip will take place across two dates with three classes attending on each day. When the children are not on the trip, they will attend school as normal for their usual learning.

Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Apple Class
	Chestnut Class
	Sycamore Class
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> April 2024	Hazel Class
	Hawthorn Class
	The Orchard

Children should arrive at school at normal time on these dates and will leave as normal through their classrooms at 3.10. Due to the location of the trip we will travel by coach. If your child requires travel sickness medication then please ensure this is given before school.

For this trip we do need extra help. If you are able to help please indicate on the MCAS message you will receive shortly. We will be leaving and returning at different times across the day but you MUST be able to commit to the duration of the day. We regret that any younger siblings are unable to attend. Should we not have enough volunteers, the trip will not be able to go ahead.

Your child will need to wear suitable clothing and sensible footwear, but children must wear their school jumper. If it is hot your child will need to bring a hat and to have sun cream applied before they come to school. If the weather is unsettled please ensure they have a suitable, waterproof coat. Whilst the majority of the trip is inside, we are hoping to have lunch outside.

Please ensure that you have either ordered via ParentPay or you provide a packed Lunch for this day. The deadline for ordering will be 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2024. If you require any assistance with ordering meals then please come into the office and we will be happy to help. They will also require a named water bottle.

You will see on the MCAS app that you can give consent for your child to join us on this trip by making the £15.00 contribution. Please complete this by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

In order to cover the cost of the coach travel and entrance fee we would ask for a voluntary contribution of £15.00 per child. We are very lucky that some of the cost has been subsidised with money raised by the fundraising committee. Unfortunately, our last 3 trips have left the school with a substantial shortfall of the costs. Whilst the contribution is voluntary I must tell you that the school could not continue to bear this extra cost without reducing its ability to provide books and materials that are essential for our curricular needs, the visit will not take place unless all parents, who are able, are willing to contribute. If you are **unable to contribute** please contact the school office so that suitable arrangements can be made to cover the cost of your child's participation. Children registered for free school meals on the day will be paid for by the school. If you wish to make a partial donation or pay by instalments please contact the office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Clare Burgess

Key Stage 1 Lead