



Upper Beeding Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers,



As part of our topic 'Wild and Wonderful – Minibeasts', we have arranged a visit to a local farm. This will offer the children a very exciting and educational experience and include the opportunity to go pond dipping and experience a host of minibeast activities. Each class will be going on different days as follows:

Kenya – Monday 8th June, Iceland – Thursday 11th June and Italy – Friday 12th June.

To enable this trip to take place and to keep the costs of this topic down to a minimum, we are asking parents to transport their child to and from the farm which is about 10 minutes drive away. Please mark on the attached form that you are able to do this. Alternatively, please give details of whom you have arranged for them to travel with. We will be leaving school at 9:20am and pick up at the farm will be 2:30pm. The farm's address is **New Wharf Farm, Ashurst, BN44 3AL.**

Any children who usually have a hot school meal under the Universal Infant Free School Meal scheme will need to be provided with a packed lunch and a drink to take with them on the day of their trip.

In addition to our trip, we had a visit from **Zoolab** on 13th April to launch our topic. They brought in a selection of interesting minibeasts which children could see up close and even handle.



Author Cathy Watts will be visiting on 15th June to run a **Woodies Day**. The Woodies are tiny folk who travel on the backs of dragonflies and have adventures with the wildlife around ponds.

The children will also be growing and releasing butterflies, watching the amazing transformation as they turn from caterpillars into beautiful butterflies. They will also be growing sunflowers.

Towards the end of term as a grand finale to the topic, KS1 will be holding an **Ugly Bug Ball**. More details regarding this will be issued nearer the time, but you may wish to start thinking about your child's costume.



To help towards covering the subsidised cost which includes insurance, Zoolab, Cathy Watts, and other topic related events throughout the term, we would ask for a voluntary contribution of £12.00 per child.

Visits and visitors really enhance the curriculum for the children and we would love all the children to participate. Payment can be made via your child's

ParentPay account. Sadly, if insufficient contributions are received to help towards the cost of the topic, we may have to cancel some or all of the events. If you have any difficulty with making a contribution towards this, please see your child's teacher or Mr Andrews in confidence.

We would also like to say a huge THANK YOU to FUBS who have contributed towards this topic in order to keep the costs down for parents.

Best regards

Mrs Gilpin, Mrs McKay, Mrs Duguid and Mrs Goddard.



KS1 Trip to New Wharf Farm

I give permission for my child..... Class.....

to take part in the visit to New Wharf Farm on

Kenya Class – Monday 8th June

Iceland Class – Thursday 11th June

Italy Class – Friday 12th June

I am **ABLE** to take my child to and from the farm:.....

OR

I am **UNABLE** to take my child to and from the farm – I give permission for them to travel with:

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Emergency Contact Phone Number for that day:

Medical Information if applicable:

Signature:parent/carer Date:

Please return completed consent form to the school office by Friday 15th May

