

28th March 2024

Year 2 Visit to Whipsnade Zoo – Tuesday 4th June 2024



Dear Parents,

We are excited to inform you that we have booked a visit to ZSL Whipsnade Zoo for our Year 2 children for the second half of the Summer Term, as part of our 'Amazing Africa!' project. This *inspiring* visit will allow children to have lots of opportunities to see the animals of Africa up close. With a variety of cross-curricular links, this trip will offer our children the opportunity to *grow* their skills and knowledge across many areas. Our scientists will explore African animals, their life cycles, and habitats. Our artists will hone their artistic abilities, focusing their work on the magnificent creatures and the landscape of their environment. Our geographers will examine weather patterns of this continent and grow their knowledge further of 'Amazing Africa!' and the place it has in our world. At the end of the project children will be able to demonstrate their *achievements*, producing their own piece of African art, featuring the magnificent creatures and the landscape of animals they will have seen first hand at ZSL Whipsnade Zoo.

The visit will take place on **Tuesday 4th June 2024**. I hope you will agree this is a perfect outing for our hard-working Year 2's to celebrate their achievements following what has been yet another exceptionally busy year!

The cost of the visit is a voluntary contribution of **£15 per child**, in line with the charging and remission fund. This costing has been subsidised by the Heronshaw School Fund. This cost includes the coach travel and entry to the park for the day. Payment can be split into 2 instalments to make things a little easier if you so wish. Payments can be made on MCAS, with permission given on the app also. All payments need to be made prior to the trip and by no later than **Friday 24th May 2024**. Please note no child will be excluded due to inability or unwillingness to pay. However, if we do not receive sufficient contributions to cover the cost, the trip may be cancelled.

When attending the trip, your child will need to come to school in their full school uniform and bring a packed lunch, in a named carrier bag. If you book a hot dinner for your child on this day, then they will be supplied an away day packed lunch, which consists of a cheese roll, a piece of fruit, a cake and water bottle, however you can still send them in with their own if you wish. The children will **not** need any spending money. We will leave school at **9am** and aim to return by **3.30pm**. We will travel both ways by coach. Further details for the day will be sent out closer to the time.

We will be looking for some parent volunteers. Please contact your class teacher if you're available to help. We shall contact volunteers closer to the time of the trip. If you have any questions regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me or your child's class teacher. Please give consent for your child to attend the trip by completing the consent form by **Friday 3rd May 2024**.

Kind regards
Mrs Jenny Calder
Year 2 Class Teacher – Gorillas
Curriculum, English, enrichment lead and Futures Ambassador



I hereby give permission for my child _____ in _____ class to

attend the school trip to ZSL Whipsnade Zoo on **Tuesday 4th June 2024**.

Please tick appropriate:

I would like to make full payment of £15 cash by Friday 3rd May 2024

I would like to pay in installments and enclose my first installment of £10 cash

£10 (Paid by **Friday 3rd May 2024**)

£5 (Paid by **Friday 24th May 2024**)

I have paid £15 on MCAS

Signed (Parent/ Carer)..... Date.....

I am **able/ unable to** volunteer to assist on this school trip

*(Please note: All volunteers will be contacted by class teacher **if needed**)*

