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Dear Parents/Carers of Children in Wagtails' Class – Caterpillar Key Group

WHOLE SCHOOL TRIP TO MARWELL ZOO: YOUR CHILD WILL BE VISITING ON TUESDAY 24 MARCH

The overarching theme this term for all year groups is 'Into The Wild' with each year group taking a different element of this with a key question to ask. Year R are wondering 'which creatures have the sharpest teeth? As part of our work and learning around this theme, we have planned a trip to Marwell Zoo.

A contribution of £19.70 will cover the cost of the coach travel and the entrance to Marwell Zoo. Over the past few years, the cost of educational visits has risen significantly due to increased transport and admission charges. We are very aware that this can place added pressure on families, particularly those with more than one child attending the school.

Our PTFA has very kindly offered to support families by helping to cover the cost for additional siblings who attend our school. If you feel this financial support would be helpful, please contact the school office in confidence and we will be happy to assist.

Please note the coaches are fitted with seat-belts. This trip will not only be an important part of our follow up work in class but is a whole school enrichment trip.

We are very excited to share that half of the Wagtails (Caterpillar Key Group) will be visiting the zoo and spending time with Year 1 and Robins. We very much hope that you will be able to support your child and the school in this activity. We ask that you return the reply slip and monies in an envelope marked with your child's name and class.

During the day, each class will have the opportunity to explore the zoo and the large range of animals and varied enclosures. We will follow the trail and we will spend time playing together at the parks and having a picnic lunch in the glorious gardens and grounds.

To enhance our time spent at the Zoo please ensure that your child arrives by **8.45am**, this will allow us to get the children all toileted and, on the coach, **ready to leave at 9.00 am**. Please do not be late as we will not be able to wait for your child.

The school can provide your child with a FREE packed lunch at your request. Please tick the roll option on School Grid. We ask that you provide your child with an extra bottled drink. If you would prefer, you may provide your child with a packed lunch and drink. If you would like us to order a packed lunch for your child, then please tick the appropriate box when completing the consent form overleaf and state this on the **front of your envelope**.

PTO

All children must come to school with a back pack as they will all be expected to carry their own lunch and drink.

The children will be walking for a considerable part of the day and we recommend they wear sensible walking shoes and their school jumper. However, they are able to wear suitable non-school uniform below their jumper e.g. jeans/leggings or tracksuit/jogging bottoms. Please make sure that they are dressed appropriately whatever the weather e.g. **think coat, hat and scarf** if it is cold or a waterproof coat if it is raining.

The children should not bring any money or cameras. If your child suffers from travel sickness, please give him/her a tablet (if you usually do this) at the beginning of the day. Any tablet that is required to be taken for the return trip should be given to your child's class teacher in the original packaging together with a letter of authorisation. Please indicate in the letter the time at which the tablet should be given.

If you wish your child to go on the visit, please sign the slip below and return it with your payment by **Monday 16 March**. You will shortly receive a text message providing you with information as to how to pay for this trip online. Cheques should be made payable to Hampshire County Council. If you wish to pay by cash, then please enclose the correct money where possible. If you do require change then please be advised that this may not be issued on the day payment is made. All consent forms must be returned in order for your child to take part in this visit, unless you pay online where consent is automatically given. Please be aware that if a significant number of places are not paid for, we will be unable to offer this trip or others like it in the future. Please indicate on the return slip if you are able to help.

We are all looking forward to a very exciting and enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely



Mrs L A de Carteret
Headteacher

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School Trip to Marwell Zoo Tuesday 24 March 2026: Please return by Monday 16 March 2026

I consent to my child visiting Marwell Zoo

Name of child: Class:

Signed..... Parent/Person with Parental Responsibility

I enclose £19.70 as my full contribution towards the cost of the visit

I enclose £ as my voluntary contribution towards the cost of the visit

I wish to receive change I wish to donate any change to the school

I have paid online

I have ordered my child a lunch via School Grid
(Please also state this on the front of the envelope)

I am available to help on this trip

Name..... Class.....