



March 2024

Dear Parents

Year 1 – Visit to Godstone Farm

Year 1 will visit Godstone Farm on Tuesday 23rd April. The aim of the trip is to identify and name a variety of animals and begin to classify them in different ways. The children will realise that other living things have needs and that we have a responsibility to meet them. The children will be gathering and recording data to use back in the classroom including using the farm map to help us design and create our own animal sanctuaries! During the trip the children will meet different animals, have a talk from experts and have the opportunity to take part in some pond dipping.

The children will be leaving school after registration and will return by the end of the school day. They will be travelling by coach and will be wearing a seat belt in accordance with current legislation.

Please could we ask that children are not sent in with any pocket money as there will be no opportunities to spend it on the day.

On the day:

In order to be more environmentally friendly and reduce plastic waste we encourage you to provide your child with a packed lunch and a drink (no nuts, kiwi fruit, or fizzy drinks) in a small backpack. Children should wear school uniform and black shoes (no trainers) and take either a warm waterproof coat or sunhat/sun cream depending on the weather. If the weather leading up to the trip is particularly wet, we will ask for children to bring a pair of wellies in a named carrier bag which they will change into at the farm.

Payment:

We are very grateful to the SRSA who are heavily subsidising this trip. The cost to parents is now only £4.75 per child instead of £21.00. Payments can be made via the Arbor App. If you experience any difficulty, please contact the school office who will assist you on 01732 352367 or schooloffice@sussex-road.kent.sch.uk All payments should be made by **Wednesday 27th March** at the latest.

Helpers:

We would love some helpers on the day so if you are able to offer your help, please add a booking to TRIPS – HELPERS Godstone Farm when you log on to Arbor. Once the timetable is finalised you will be notified whether your offer of help is required on this trip or not. Please DO NOT assume by booking a place you are a helper. We would appreciate all offers of help by Thursday 28th March.

Thank you for your continued support,

Miss Bailey, Mrs Macdonald and Miss Talbot
Year 1 Teachers