23rd October 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Year 3 – Woodlands Trip**

A day visit to Woodlands Camp in Streetly has been arranged for each of our Year 3 classes in March 2021. These will take place on **Monday 15th March for Y3.1, Tuesday 16th March for Y3.3 and Thursday 18th March for Y3.2.**

Woodlands Camp is a long established centre, well used by many Birmingham Schools, which offers children of all ages the opportunity to experience a wide variety of outdoor activities. The National Curriculum includes outdoor activities as an integral part of Physical Education and Woodlands Camp offers an excellent introduction to such activities for young children. We have taken our Year 3 children there many times and they have great fun!

Unfortunately, the current situation regarding COVID-19 is clearly having an impact on our ability to run educational visits. However, this trip to Woodlands has activities that are all outdoors and the centre have adapted their programme to keep children as safe as possible (in addition to their normal rigorous safety measures). We are visiting a class at a time and we will not come into contact with anyone else apart from the instructors. Good hygiene practices will continue, just as they do in school. We hope this will give you some reassurance, because this is a trip we do not want them to miss!

On the day of their visit, each class will leave school at 9.15 am and return to school at approximately 3:30 pm. The activities are as follows: an assault/obstacle course, archery, zipwire and double-hulled canoeing. All children will be required to wear a life jacket and helmet during the water activity. If you have any queries or questions, please do not hesitate to contact your child’s class teacher.

All instruction in the activities will be given by fully qualified members of staff at the centre. The children will need to be dressed in suitable (old) clothing for the activities and bring a packed lunch with a drink. A clothes list will be sent out nearer the time.

The cost of the trip is **£39.50** and includes activities at the centre, insurance and transport by coach. Please pay using our online payment system by Tuesday 15th December 2020. **If there are not enough voluntary contributions the trip will not go ahead**. Contact the school office if you have any queries or concerns with regards to payment for this.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Pearson Miss Westrup Mrs Baker

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