

17.4.2023

Dear Parent/Carer,



CHAUCER JUNIOR SCHOOL – Year 4 visit to Holmebrooke Valley Park

We have arranged an educational visit for Year 4 to Holmebrooke Valley Park in Chesterfield to enhance the children's understanding of our new topic, 'Blue Planet.' We will spend the day in the natural environment learning about the features of rivers including meanders. We will also be identifying river processes including erosion and deposition. Children will learn how to navigate using maps in the great outdoors. During the trip, children will be going close to the river and indeed stepping into the river to complete river sampling to learn about river quality and how this has an impact on the living organisms which live in a river habitat.

Date of Visit	Thursday 6 th July 2023
Cost:	£15.00 which covers transport, insurance and activities led by staff at Holmebrooke Valley Park
Clothing:	All children come to school wearing appropriate outdoor clothing for all weather – we will be outdoors all day no matter what the weather is like on 6 th July. Children will need to be prepared for sunshine and bring hats and they need to be prepared for torrential rain all day and bring waterproof, warm clothing including a coat/jacket. Please note: wear old clothing; wear clothes that can get wet and muddy. - All children need wellies for this trip. If this is not possible, children will need to wear appropriate footwear that can get wet.
Time to arrive at school	8:30am prompt. Coach to leave school at 8.50am..
Lunch:	Children will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty to drink (preferably with a sports cap to prevent leakages) and NO GLASS BOTTLES OR FIZZY DRINKS PLEASE. Bring in a plastic bag with your child's name clearly written on the bag.
Collection time:	Approx 3.30pm. You will receive a text message when we are approx. 20 minutes away from school.
Medicine:	If your child needs to take medication please complete an authorisation form, available from the school office, and see your child's class teacher. This includes any travel sickness medication, which needs to be administered by a member of staff for the return journey.
Give permission on Parent Pay:	For your child to go on this trip we need parental permission on Parent Pay. We cannot accept verbal consent. Please log in to Parent Pay, give consent and make payment contribution by Friday 30 th June at the latest.
Other information:	No mobile phones at all due to the nature of the trip – teachers and school staff will inform you when your child needs to be picked up at the end of the day. We cannot guarantee the safety of technology on this trip as we do not have locker facilities like we do in school. There is not a shop to visit on this school trip, so children do not need to bring any spending money.

If we do not receive enough contributions, unfortunately the trip will have to be cancelled. The school does not make any profit on visits and the costs are kept to the minimum possible including discounts on coach hire.

Yours sincerely,
Miss Mee and Mr Higgins