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## YEAR 4 VISIT TO BLACKPOOL ZOO Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of our science topic on living things and habitats, we have arranged for Year 4 to go on a learning visit to Blackpool Zoo on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July. Whether big, small, fierce, friendly, cute, creepy, or just plain, adorable, animals never cease to fascinate us. We can learn so much from them, but it's such a lot of fun that we don't even realise we're learning. The children will be able to discover all the animals the zoo has and they may even find some they might not even know existed.

The children will have an opportunity to meet the sea lions ranger and watch the sea lion show. They will get to see the penguin beach to explore life in the ocean and learn more about beaks, feet, feathers and wings. If we have fans of wolves, and they have ever wondered what wolves and wallabies eat, the Wolf Ridge and Wallaby Walkabout has lots of interesting facts about their teeth and diet. No visit to the zoo would be complete without a trip to the Orangutan Outlook to hear stories of the rainforest, great apes.

We will leave school at 9:00am and travel by coach to the zoo. We expect to arrive back at school at approximately 3:15pm but will inform parents if we expect to be delayed.

**Children will need a packed lunch and two drinks in disposable plastic bottles (not fizzy). For those children eligible for free school meals, a free packed lunch can be provided by school. We have found that on previous trips, most of these meals have been wasted as children prefer parents to provide their own packed lunch, therefore, on the online meal survey there will be an option to specify you are providing a home packed lunch.**

We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £20.00 per child which should be paid through [Parentpay](#) before Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June (and can be paid in instalments if required). This is for the cost of the Blackpool Zoo entrance ticket and transport.

Please make sure that your child wears their school uniform and some comfortable shoes (trainers are allowed) as they will be on their feet for most of the visit. They should also bring with them a waterproof jacket on the day if rain is forecast and a sunhat.

I am sure that this will be a really enjoyable and informative day.

Yours faithfully,  
Sarah Dillon  
Year 4 Class Teacher

