

19th April 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 Educational Visit to ZSL Whipsnade Zoo.

We are delighted to be able to offer Year 7 the opportunity to visit ZSL Whipsnade Zoo, to compliment the learning they have been completing in Geography. The visit will be based around national parks and Savannah grassland ecosystems. The students will have an opportunity to see a variety of animals from the different continents of the world, explore and find out about their habitats, also to see why and how they have adapted to live in the different climatic and environmental conditions.

This educational visit will take place on **4th of May 2022**. We are aware this is short notice, however we have struggled to find a coach company able to facilitate the dates agreed with the Zoo.

Your child will need to bring with them:

- Nonschool uniform with comfortable shoes or trainers.
- A packed lunch [no glass bottles please]
- A small backpack [to be carried throughout the day]
- Pocket money to visit the Gift Shop – no more than £10
- Any medication [including travel sickness tablets] clearly labelled with their name to be handed to the office.
- A disposable camera is welcome, but for safeguarding reasons, **no Electronic Devices** please.

On the day of the visit, students need to arrive at school by 8.30am for a prompt departure at 9.00am. We will leave the Zoo at 3.15pm and arrive back at Edwinstree at approximately 4.30pm. Alternative travel arrangements need to be made for those who would normally use school transport.

The cost of this visit will be **£25.00 per student**, which includes coach hire, parking and entrance to the Zoo.

Payment can be made via the school Gateway or by cash (correct amount only. Change will not be available) in an envelope, clearly marked with your child's name and form and handed to the school office. (Please be aware the school no longer accepts cheques). **Payment and consent form should be completed by Friday 29th April 2022.**

If the cost of this visit will cause you financial difficulty, please email the office on admin@edwinstree.herts.sch.uk.

Please click on the link below to provide consent for you child/children to attend.
<https://forms.office.com/r/rdHWzLZAnv>

We are also looking for a limited number of parent volunteers to accompany us on the visit. If you would be willing to attend, please indicate on the form link above and we will contact you if required. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

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