

Westfields Infant School

School Lane, Yateley, Hampshire, GU46 6NN Executive Headteacher: Miss J Redman

4th April 2025

Dear Parents.

As part of our Year R Science Topic, the children have been learning all about animal life cycles and habitats. In order to bring to life our study we would like to provide the children with an opportunity to participate in a day visit to Finkley Down Farm on Tuesday 20th May 2025.

Our children will spend their day exploring the farm and learning about all the animals. The trip will include a guided tour where the children will be able to feed either sheep, goats or alpacas, groom either a pony or donkey and even pet the rabbits. The children will have an opportunity to watch a goat race and play on some of the playground equipment during their lunchtime.

On the day, children will come into school at 8.40am to ensure they are ready to depart from Westfields soon after 9:00am by coach. We intend to return to school by 3.15pm however as traffic can be unpredictable, a text will be sent to confirm our arrival time back at school if this differs significantly. Children will need to wear their school uniform with sensible shoes and have clothing appropriate for the weather, eg waterproof coat, sun hat, sun cream. Children will also need to bring a packed lunch (no chocolate, sweets or nuts!) together with enough to drink (no fizzy drinks please) in a small named lunch bag. No rucksacks please.

If your child needs any medication for travel sickness or prescribed medicine during the day, please complete and return a named medication form which is available from the school office or our website. All medicine must be handed to a staff member before or on the day of the trip, be in the original container/packaging with a clearly marked expiry date, be in date and contained in a clear plastic bag with your child's name and class.

The cost for the trip to Finkley Down Farm including the guided tour and coach is £24.00 per child. This can be paid via Arbor or handed to your child's teacher in a named envelope. This is a voluntary contribution, however, if we do not have enough contributions, the trip will not be able to take place. Please complete the following online form Finkley Down Farm Online Form by Wednesday 8th May 2024.

If you are able to help on our visit and you have a DBS with us we would appreciate any volunteers. This can be arranged by selecting the option on the online form as soon as possible. As we hope this to be very popular, your child's class teacher will then contact you to confirm if your help is needed thank you in anticipation of your support.

If you have any questions about the trip please do not hesitate to ask the class teachers or contact the school office.

Yours sincerely.

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