



Friday 22nd March 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 5 trip to Kew Gardens, London

As part of engaging with our Geography topic in the Spring Term, which focused on learning about 'Biomes', we have planned a trip to Kew Gardens in London (<https://www.kew.org/>) on **Tuesday 16th April** for the children in Year 5. The children from Year 1 will also be visiting Kew Gardens on the same trip, which is helping to lower the costs of hiring the coach for the journey.

The children will have the opportunity to explore the grounds at Kew Gardens and visit the Treetop walkway and the different glasshouses. We have also specifically booked the class to participate in an activity led by experts at Kew Gardens. This session will focus on supporting the children's understanding of rainforests. The children will get to explore a rainforest habitat and to study a variety of rainforest plants located in one of Kew's famous glasshouses.

We will be travelling by coach to London and we will be leaving the school at **8:45am**. Therefore, the children will need to be in school by **8:25am** on Tuesday 16th April, please. The children will return to school by **4:30pm** (*if the return time changes then the school will send a message to parents*). The children will need to be dressed in their normal school uniform and will also need to bring along:

- Appropriate clothing for being outdoors based on expected weather on the day (e.g. raincoat/warm coat/gloves/sun hat)
- A couple of drinks (not fizzy)
- A packed lunch and snacks (if not having a free school packed lunch)

Please use Arbor to make the online payment and to give consent for your child to go on the trip by **Monday 8th April (during the holidays)**. The cost of the trip is **£17.61** per child, which will cover coach travel and entrance to the different activities at Kew Gardens. Please be aware that, should not enough parents contribute to the cost of the trip, the trip may have to be cancelled. If any parents would like to see how the cost of the trip has been worked out, please ask at the school office where further information will be available.

If you have any questions about the trip please come and speak to me.

Yours sincerely

Miss Rowlatt and Mrs Holliday