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Dear Parents/Carers

EARLY YEARS VISIT TO MAGDALEN ENVIROMENTAL TRUST

We are planning an Early Years visit to Magdalen on **Monday**, **9**th **May 2022**. The aim of the visit is to provide the children with an exciting opportunity to explore the natural world around them. The children will be able to describe what they see, hear and feel whilst outside and recognise that some environments are different to the one in which they live. This will also be a great opportunity for children to develop their Communication and Language skills through learning new vocabulary in a different context and ask questions to find out more and check they understand what has been said to them.

The party leaders will be Mrs Cross and Miss Ollier assisted by support staff.

Our transport will be provided by Vickerys coaches. We aim to leave school promptly at 9:10am and return to school by the end of the school day. Please can the children wear comfortable **old** clothing (jeans are not good for outdoor activities as they do not dry quickly) with trainers or comfy boots/shoes and be prepared for all weather eventualities (rainproof jacket with hood or hats/sun cream.) If it is forecast to be very wet, we suggest the children take wellies in a named carrier bag. We can use their wellies from school if required.

If your child is in receipt of a Universal Infant Free School Meal, a packed lunch will be provided for them. Please email office@brooksideacademy.co.uk if THIS IS REQUIRED.

All other children will need to bring a packed lunch and refillable water bottle. Magdalen has a NO NUTS policy.

Financial Arrangements

- Parents are asked to make a voluntary contribution of £18.84 towards the cost. Payment is preferred
 through Parentpay, but cash may be paid in stores with a PayPoint machine. Please note, although this is
 called a `voluntary contribution` we regret that the trip cannot go ahead unless all costs are covered.
 Payment needs to be paid by Monday, 4th April 2022 at the latest.
- In the event of the visit not taking place parents will receive a refund.

The school retains the following rights:

- to withdraw any pupil at any stage from the above visit if deemed necessary
- to make changes to the above details subject to conditions
- to cancel the visit should contributions not be forthcoming and sufficient funds are not received to meet the cost of the trip/activity.

We are intending for the trip to go ahead but we are aware that there is a possibility that Government rules may change, we will keep parents fully informed.

Insurance

Brookside Academy only provides cover against proven or agreed negligence by the academy and its employees. Parents may wish to make their own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for their children.

Medical Needs

If your child has medical needs affecting him/her during the visit please inform the party leaders, in person or in writing, providing details. Should there be any enquiries regarding the day please contact the Academy Office.

Should there be any enquiries regarding the day please contact the school and we will do our best to help.

Yours sincerely

Brian Walton