



27<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

The Year 5 team are delighted to announce details of our exciting forthcoming school trip. We will be taking the children on a two-day adventure, including an overnight stay at Port Lympne Wild Animal Park, where they will enjoy an overnight stay in Bear Lodge!

Bear Lodge is a luxury 'glamping' experience, providing tented accommodation affording views of the elephant paddocks and beyond. The stunning views offer the chance to spot African elephants and cheetah and provide the backdrop to the luxury tented accommodation. All tents have private bathroom and shower facilities. The tents surround the central Club House Restaurant where the children will enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Our two-day trip is split into two parts with each class rotating the activities across the two-days. On one day the children will participate in many activities at Port Lympne Zoo. The other day will be spent at Howletts in the tree tops! Designed for ages 5 and upwards, the Howletts Treetop Challenge provides a variety of fun and challenging obstacles including rope ladders, walkways, cargo nets and zipwires! The children will be whisked high amongst the tree tops on a journey of discovery! As well as this, children will receive educational talks about the gorillas and conservation and will even be able to venture back into the park after closing time (with the rangers, of course) to see one of the large animals being fed.

Both classes will be reunited after their first day of activities for dinner at Port Lympne Zoo, followed by a fun quiz/safari, followed by bedtime!

The trip is booked for **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June – Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018**. The price for the two-day trip is £90, which includes all travel costs between the two zoos, entrance fees, accommodation and food. We ask that an initial payment of £40, which will secure your child's place, be paid by **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March** and the final payment of £50 will be payable by **Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May**. You will be sent a text and email inviting you to pay for this trip online. For information, you are also able to make smaller installments towards these payments at any time on [schoolmoney.co.uk](http://schoolmoney.co.uk) or by cheque/cash. If you have any queries regarding the school trip, please contact a member of the Year 5 team.

In accordance with the school's charging policy, parents/carers are invited to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of this trip. Pupils who are registered with KCC for free school meals are welcome to, but not expected to, make a contribution.

Yours sincerely

Mr G Sharp  
Geckos

Miss J Cable  
Chipmunks

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## Year 5 Port Lympne Overnight Trip

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Class: \_\_\_\_\_

I give permission for my child to attend the two day trip including the overnight stay at Port Lympne and I will pay the deposit of £40 by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018.

I also give permission for the teacher in charge of the group agreeing on my behalf for the administering of anaesthetic or any other urgent medical treatment which may prove necessary.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer) Date: \_\_\_\_\_