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27th September 2017

Dear Parents

Year 3 Visit to Butser Ancient Farm, Chalton, Waterlooville - Wednesday 8th November 2017

As part of our new Stone Age to Iron Age topic in Year 3, we have arranged to take the children to Butser Ancient Farm where they can have some 'hands on experience' to explore what life would have been like at this time.

We will travel by coach to Waterlooville and have a full day visit with four different activities at the Ancient Farm. The children will be taken to one of the round houses where there is a fire alight in the middle of the room. Here they will sit on skins and benches around the fire and listen to a talk on the Stone Age. After this there will be two activities followed by lunch. If the weather is warm we can eat our lunch outside. However, if it is cold or wet, they will bank up the fire in the house and we can eat our lunch around the fire. After lunch there will be two further activities. The activities that the children will be taking part in **are chalk carving, clunching, cordage and either wattleing or archeology** (depending on the weather).

All children need to come well prepared for both the worst and the best of British weather as most of the activities are outside. We recommend:

- Old clothes with lots of layers which can be added or taken off;
- Woolly hats, thick gloves and scarves;
- Wellington boots are good if it is very wet because it can get very muddy;
- Warm waterproof clothing for wet and cold days. The wind can whip through the site, meaning that a thick jumper is not enough.

(If the weather is really bad, they will provide alternative activities indoors.)

Children will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty of water for the day. (Please see the following website for ideas for a Stone Age lunch if your child would like to try. <http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/ideas-for-packed-lunches> This is optional.

Please ensure that your child also brings a bag for muddy wellington boots and a change of shoes are essential to keep the coach drivers happy.

There is a small child friendly shop that the children can visit with very reasonably priced artefacts, replica objects, gifts, colouring sheets and books etc. Children will be allowed to pop into the shop as part of their visit. May we suggest no more than £3.00 pocket money which will need to be in a named wallet or purse in their bag on the day of the visit.

We are looking for two parents with DBS checks to come along with us for the day as additional adult helpers.

The cost for this visit will be £17.50. This includes the coach travel, four activities and a hot blackcurrant at lunchtime around the fire. As the school is not able to subsidise this visit and we do not receive enough contributions the visit will not be able to proceed.

Please complete and sign the consent slip at the bottom of this letter and send into school with either your online payment or cheque made payable to HCC, by Tuesday 11th October. **If we do not receive the consent slip your child will not be able to join the group on the visit.**

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Emma Smith
Y3 Class teachers

Mrs Clare Morris

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REPLY SLIP:

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Name of child: _____

- ☐ I give permission for my child to attend Butser Ancient Farm
- ☐ I have made an online payment of **£17.50** to cover the cost of the visit
<https://www.scopay.com/brockenhurst-pri?redirect=true>
- ☐ I enclose a cheque/cash payment of **£17.50** to cover the cost of the visit (cheques made payable to HCC).
- ☐ I am able to help on this visit and I hold a current and valid DBS with the school.
- ☐ I understand that if not enough contributions are received then the visit may have to be cancelled.

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- ☐ I would like the school to provide a packed lunch for my child.

▪ Please circle preference of roll filling: **HAM** **CHEESE** **TUNA**

- ☐ I will provide my child with a home packed lunch.

Signed: _____ Date _____

PLEASE RETURN YOUR REPLY SLIP BY WEDNESDAY 11TH OCTOBER. THANK YOU.