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14 January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

Extended Deadline - Year 7 trip to Rushall Farm - Y half- Wednesday 26th March 2025

The Food and Nutrition department are running an educational visit for Year 7 (Y-half) to Rushall Organic Farm, near Reading, on 26th March 2025. We will be travelling by coach, leaving at 9.15am and returning to school by 3pm approx.

This trip is designed to directly benefit the progress of students within their KS3 Food and Nutrition curriculum and to support students in their classroom learning about food commodities. It is important that students understand where their food comes from as well as learn about how organic farming differs from other practices. This is a very exciting opportunity for students to get a glimpse of what life is like on a farm; unfortunately access to the animals will be limited to seeing the cattle in their pens, from the field outside and walking through ewes and lambs, also in the field.

Students will be required to wear / bring the following;

- A waterproof coat
- Warm layered clothing or suitable to the weather
- Sensible footwear that may become muddy (wellington boots, walking boots or old trainers) these need to be brought in a bag to change into so the coach does not get dirty on the journey back!

Students will also need to bring a packed lunch including bottled water.

The cost of the trip is £31.50 and as places are limited, they will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Should there not be enough interest, the trip may not be viable - in that case all monies paid would be refunded and this decision will be taken on **Monday 3rd February 2025**

The trip will be closed as soon as all places have been taken so you are encouraged to secure a place via ParentPay as soon as possible to avoid disappointment for your child.

Please make payment via ParentPay and complete the emergency contact and medical details sections on your ParentPay account. You are also asked if you agree to your child being photographed/recorded which may be used on social media.

Your commitment for your child to attend is non-refundable, regardless of reason (unless covered by insurance) or unless a replacement student can be found for them which we would endeavour to do. This is because non-refundable tickets will be purchased specifically and travel and trip associated costs will be spread across the expected cohort.

Should you need to activate your ParentPay account please email finance@kgaeasthampstead.uk

Yours faithfully

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