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Dear Parents & Carers,

Class 6 are planning to visit the River and Rowing Museum in Henley on Thames on Wednesday 26th March 2025.

This trip is to support our Geography work by developing our understanding of rivers and offers a great opportunity to get out of the classroom and learn in a new environment.

The intended learning outcomes of the visit are:

- An understanding of the physical processes and features of a river.
- An understanding of the balance between the physical and human factors in managing the environment.
- The development of geographical skills and vocabulary.
- The development of environmental awareness.
- An awareness of the safety issues related to living near, working on or visiting a river.

The visit includes activities in the education centre, a river walk and exploring the museum's galleries. The workshop will enhance classroom learning and helps pupils to understand river processes, with particular reference to the River Thames, and to develop their knowledge and understanding of geographical vocabulary. It also introduces children to the idea that rivers are more than a geographical feature. Rivers are habitats, trade routes, places of work, places for leisure activities and environments which need to be carefully managed, if all these activities are to be sustained successfully alongside each other.

In order for this trip to go ahead, we require £19.38 per child. Please pay the voluntary contribution by Friday 14th February. If contributions are not provided, we will have no alternative but to cancel the trip. If you are unable to pay, or do not intend to contribute, please let the office know as soon as possible. This will allow us to cancel the visit promptly and avoid fees from the museum; it will also reduce the amount of reminder letters we have to issue for trips.

Children will need to arrive at school, wearing their usual school uniform with school shoes and an appropriate coat at the usual time. They will also need to bring waterproof clothing and appropriate shoes/boots or wellington boots for the river walk. We expect to be back at school for 3:20pm. Children will need to have a packed lunch on this day. This can be provided by Fresh Start if you have selected a sandwich (i.e. Ham or Cheese) under 'Meal Replacement' via the Preferences on their website. Please do not provide a packed lunch for your child if you are intending on ordering one from Fresh Start. If you have not selected a sandwich with Fresh Start, you will need to provide a packed lunch from home for your child. All children will need to bring a water bottle.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs M Swanson
Class 6 Teacher



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