



ABBOT'S LEA SCHOOL

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Dear Families

Ref: USA and Peru Class Educational Visit

I am pleased to inform you about an exciting upcoming trip for both USA and Peru Class. This trip, organised by the Estate Development team at Liverpool John Moores University (LJMU), will offer a fantastic opportunity for our students to participate in a STEM-based activity that also helps support the local environment.

As part of this initiative, students will be involved in placing hedgehog houses around the FL Calder site in woodland patches. These houses will be concealed using smaller branches and leaves, creating safe habitats for hedgehogs. In addition to the practical aspect of the trip, students will also participate in educational sessions about hedgehogs and local wildlife conservation efforts.

Key Dates and Activities:

Classroom Visit – 2 October 2024, 10-11am (lunch arrangements will stay the same):

- Tally, the trip organiser, will visit each classroom to conduct an interactive session about hedgehogs. She will share important information, show video clips, and read a story. This classroom session will help prepare students for the outdoor activity and give them background knowledge on the importance of hedgehog conservation.

Outdoor Visit – 7 October 2024, 10-11:30am (lunch arrangements will stay the same):

- We will meet Tally at Calderstones Park, where students will work in small groups to find the best spots for the hedgehog houses, and ensure they are covered with straw and grass to provide protection (as discussed in the classroom session).

This is an important initiative as hedgehogs are becoming increasingly vulnerable due to habitat loss. By engaging students in this project, we aim to raise awareness of wildlife conservation and foster a sense of environmental responsibility. This hands-on experience will not only benefit the local hedgehog population but will also provide valuable educational opportunities for our students.

Additional Information:

Cost: There is no cost for this trip.

Clothing: Students will need to bring wellies or sturdy boots and a waterproof coat, as the outdoor session will take place in woodland areas.

We look forward to this enriching experience and believe it will be a memorable event for our students. If you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch with me directly - primary@abbotsleaschool.co.uk

Yours sincerely

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