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Dear Families,

Ref: Visit to Chester Zoo – Tuesday 10 November 2026

We are delighted to share that students in Canada, Madagascar, USA, Peru, Brazil, Kenya, PNG, Tasmania, Fiji, Malawi and Christmas Island classes will be visiting Chester Zoo on Tuesday 10 November 2026.

The visit will provide students with an exciting opportunity to explore the animal kingdom, learn about different species and discover how zoos support animal welfare and conservation. Students will have the opportunity to observe a range of animals and experience a different environment alongside their peers.

The visit will also support our students' personal development and careers education. Through experiencing a working zoo environment, students can begin to develop their understanding of different jobs and career pathways, including the roles of zookeepers, vets, animal care specialists and conservation workers. This links to our careers programme and the Gatsby Benchmarks, particularly providing encounters with workplaces and helping students to explore the world of work and future opportunities.

We will be **departing school at 9:30am and returning at approximately 4:00pm**. Please note that, due to our return time**, all students must be collected by their families from school on this day.** Usual transport arrangements will not be available for the return journey.

As this is a full-day trip, students will need to bring a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to free school meals, a packed lunch will be provided by the school. Please inform the class team if you require a packed lunch for your child. Full school uniform must be worn, and students should bring appropriate footwear and a coat, as the visit will involve walking outdoors.

To cover the entrance fee and transport, we are requesting a voluntary contribution of £12.00 per student. Payments can be made online via the Arbor App School Shop, as the school is now cashless. Payments should be made by Friday 6 November 2026.

Permission for the visit
All students must have permission to attend the visit. Please complete the Microsoft Forms permission form using the link below by Friday 23rd October 2026 at the latest.

Microsoft Forms permission link: Chester Zoo – Fill in form

If you have any questions or would like further information, please do not hesitate to contact the class team.

We are very much looking forward to an enjoyable and meaningful visit for our students.

Yours sincerely

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