



5 March 2026

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To: **ALL RECEPTION PARENTS / CARERS**

Dear Parents / Carers

**RE: BOCKETTS FARM VISIT - 8 May 2026**  
**LIFECYCLES - 4 March 2026**  
**INCIDENTALS**

### **BOCKETTS FARM VISIT**

On Friday 8 May, we have booked a visit to Bocketts Farm. The year group will be travelling by coach. During the day, the children will have a small animal encounter, a tractor and trailer, a tour of the farm and enjoy outdoor learning experiences within the farm setting.

We aim to leave school at 9:15am and will arrive back at school before the end of the school day. The children will need to wear their normal school uniform. All children will need a packed lunch for this trip. If you require the School to provide one for your child, it **MUST** be booked (choose the baguette option) on the ipay system by **Monday 27 April**. Children will need appropriate, comfortable footwear and a warm coat if necessary (please make a judgement based on weather conditions on the day). A raincoat may be a necessary option. If you would like to volunteer to help out on this trip, please fill in the [Microsoft form here](#) and we will let you know by 24 April if your kind offer of help is needed.

### **LIFECYCLES**

In March, we will be teaching the children about lifecycles and we have arranged to keep chicks in the classroom to demonstrate this. The children will have the opportunity to watch the chicks hatching over a number of days as they will arrive in the classroom as eggs in an incubator. After this, there will be lots of opportunities to see how the chicks grow and to learn about how to look after them.

In order to finance these two activities, a voluntary contribution of **£25.60** is requested. Please pay by **24 April 2026** via your MCAS app. Pupils will not be excluded from these activities because parents are not in a position to contribute, but as we are not able to fund the activity in any other way it will be cancelled unless we cover costs.

### **INCIDENTAL PAYMENT**

Rather than keep asking you for 'small' amounts of money to cover extra activities i.e., cookery/craft/gardening etc., that the children participate in throughout the year, parents have told us that they preferred making a 'one off' payment each year to cover additional year group activities in the classroom. This is a more efficient way for us to work too and would therefore be grateful if you would make a donation of **£10.00** to cover extra incidentals. This payment can be made on your MCAS app.

Yours sincerely

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