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The Roots To Grow, The Wings To Fly

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Friday 27th February 2026

Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 5 Rushall Farm Visit – Friday 27th March 2026

During this half term Year 5 are studying rivers and mountains as part of our Geography learning. In order to further build and develop the children's learning, we have arranged a trip to Rushall Farm on Friday 27th March 2026, where the children will receive specialist and practical teaching about rivers. The students are split into groups of around 15 led by a Rushall Farm guide and then taken to the River Pang on a tractor & trailer. The Pang is a tributary of the Thames and a typical lowland chalk stream. The farm guides demonstrate both river dipping using kick nets and also measuring techniques. The students then get into waders and carry out their own study, all the children will get the opportunity to measure and dip.

The trip will take place within the usual school day, so normal arrangements for drop off and collection will apply. Travel to and from the farm will be by coach.

If you would like your child to take part in the visit to the Rushall Farm, please complete the digital consent form (<https://forms.gle/fLcXcjpEogqBN6p7>) and pay the trip cost online via ScoPay. As with all visits during school time, we have to ask for a voluntary contribution. However, if a contribution is not made, the visit will not be able to proceed. If you are having difficulty paying for the visit, please contact the school.

The cost of the visit will be **£20.70** as this will cover the cost of travel to and from school to the farm; as well as the cost of sites and guides.

Breakdown of costs:

Total cost: £20.70

Coach cost: £8.70

Site cost: £12.00

Kit list:

- Please prepare a packed lunch; waterproof coat, wellies or sturdy boots are the best footwear (more than one pair of warm socks: especially if wellies are to be worn); please also ensure the children are carrying water. To ensure the children come home with their belongings, please make sure their coats and wellies are named.
- Rushall farm have asked that, prior to your visit, could you please make sure your child is currently up to date with their Tetanus immunisation.

If your child is entitled to free school meals, then please order the meal in advance and a school packed lunch will be provided or alternatively you can provide your own packed lunch.

Yours sincerely

Mrs C Butler

Miss Y King

Miss L Smith

Year 5 Class Teachers