

Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 1 visit from Hampshire Music Service – African Drumming Workshop

At Berrywood we aim to offer your children the fullest possible education, with a varied exciting curriculum. As part of this, projects are often supported by educational visits or visitors, which I know are thoroughly enjoyed by everyone.

The school budget finances all the 'essentials' that are needed to ensure the National Curriculum is delivered, but cannot support these visits. It is for this reason that I have to ask parents if they are willing to contribute towards the cost where applicable. If you are unable to contribute the full amount, any contribution received would work towards making the visit more viable. Should a number of parents not be prepared to make a contribution then, unfortunately, the visit may not be able to proceed.

Year 1 are learning about different cultures in our 'Handa's Surprise' project. This is a lovely project where we have been finding out all about Africa. **On Friday 5th July** Year 1 are fortunate enough to have the opportunity to take part in an African Drumming Workshop. This will involve a specialist teacher coming in from Hampshire Music Services to deliver the workshop. The children will learn different drumming techniques and develop their own drumming patterns which we are hoping to share with you at our project celebration.

Since the financial year 2010/11 the income generated from school trips and visits has declined year on year, despite the cost of transport having increased significantly. This has led to the school making a loss to the value of tens of thousands of pounds over this period. I would also like to stress that **schools are not allowed to make a profit from any trip or visitor** and therefore, in the interests of openness, a breakdown of the cost of this visit is shown below.

Activity	Cost
Cost of visit	£119.94
Coaches	
Staffing Costs	
Total	£119.94
Divided by 89 Children	£1.34 per head

A voluntary contribution of **£1.34** is required to help cover the cost of this visit. Please complete and return the permission slip to your child's classteacher by **Thursday 4th July 2019 at the latest**.

Yours sincerely



Chris Reilly
 Headteacher

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To: Mrs Fryer / Mrs Paterson / Mrs Hunter, Year 1 Team

*I give / * do not give consent for my child to participate in the African Drumming workshop on Friday 5th July 2019

*I have paid online at www.scopay.com/berrywood-pri / *I enclose my voluntary contribution of **£1.34**. If paying by cheque please make payable to Hampshire County Council (HCC).

Child's name: Class:

Signed: Parent/Guardian Date:

*please delete as appropriate

