

Dear Parents,

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 5 are planning a trip to Hartford Stream near Beaulieu to support our Geography topic on 'Rivers'. Class **CW/5** will be going on **Tuesday 2nd July**, class **CBAP/5** will be going on **Thursday 4th July** and class **GL/5** will be going on **Friday 5th July**. A voluntary contribution of £20.26 is required to help cover the cost of this trip, see grid below for details.

Your child will require a packed lunch, no glass bottles or cans please. In addition to this they will also need a snack, apples will be provided for those who pay into the fruit scheme, and drink for the day in a small rucksack, which can be carried all day. Please do not send items in carrier bags or bags with handles – the children will need their hands free. If your child is entitled to free school meals a lunch bag will be provided, however should you not require this please inform your child's class teacher. Children need to wear their school sweatshirts with old trousers/leggings/jeans in case they get dirty or wet. The children will also need to bring in a pair of Wellingtons, as some of the activities on site will require them to be near the shallow water's edge.

Since the financial year 2010/11 the income generated from school trips 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 trip is shown below.

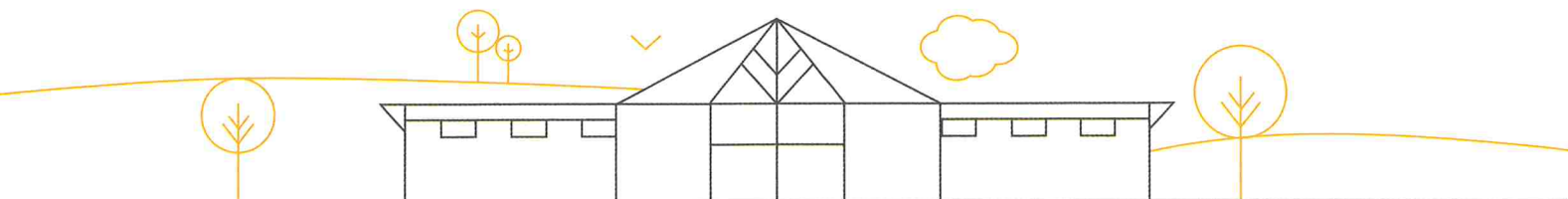
Activity	Cost
Entry including workshops & activities	£720.00
Coaches	£1165.00
Staffing costs	£20.25
Total	£1905.25
Divided by 94 Children	£20.26 per head

If your child suffers from travel sickness please ensure that medication is given prior to the trip. Please note that as regulations state we are unable to take children on the trip without a permission slip. Please complete the slip below and send it to your child's class teacher by **Thursday 27th June at the latest**.

Yours sincerely



Chris Reilly
 Headteacher



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To: Mrs Brown / Mrs Pitter / Miss Wareham / Miss Lowe, Year 5 Team

*I give / *do not give my consent for my child to take part in the visit to Hartford Stream on the morning of Tuesday 2nd, Thursday 4th or Friday 5th July 2019.

*I have paid online at www.scopay.com/berrywood-pri/ *I enclose my voluntary contribution of £20.26. If paying by cheque please make payable to Hampshire County Council (HCC).

My emergency contact number for the day will be

Any medical conditions we should be aware of:

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Child's name: Class:

Signed: Parent/Guardian Date:

*please delete as applicable