

The Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School



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Dear Parents and Carers of Pupils in Year 3

We are delighted to be taking Year 3 for a trip to the CONKERS Educational Centre, an award-winning attraction at the heart of the National Forest. We will be leaving on Friday 14th July 2023 at 9:00am on a coach provided by Country Lion and returning at 17:00pm. We will update school if our return time changes.

The education at Conkers is based around interactive outdoor experiences led by highly skilled rangers, with activities being designed to support creative cross-curricular themes. During the day the children will experience a hands-on session investigating different structures by building shelters in the woods. This team building activity will encourage co-operation and problem solving. The children will also have the opportunity to take part in a barefoot trail that takes them through different troughs containing different materials. There is also an amazing outdoor playground to challenge the children. A little train will take us from one side of the venue to the other. Not forgetting the large indoor interactive learning centre that will reinforce topics covered in Science.

Pupils must come to school in their home clothes: please ensure your child wears appropriate outdoor clothing and sturdy footwear, and has a small rucksack containing a bottle of water and waterproofs. (We are outside all day) Please can you also supply a small cloth or flannel for your child to dry their feet after the barefoot walk. If good weather is forecast please can you apply sun cream before arriving at school and send it with them in a named bottle so that it can be re-applied if necessary. You will be provided with a simple kit list nearer the time.

The children will need a packed lunch. Please can this be in a named separate bag as we will store these when we arrive at Conkers. On arrival we will provide the children with a drink and a biscuit. Packed lunches will be provided to those who are entitled to free school meals.

We are very much looking forward to what promises to be an action-packed Year 3 adventure. The voluntary contribution for the trip is £20 in order for costs to be met. Payment is through Bromcom (online only) and can be made in instalments. The deadline for payments is Friday 7th July. No pocket money will be required as we will not be visiting the gift shop.

If your child requires any travel sickness medication, please ensure this is given on the morning before coming into school. If they require this medication for the return journey, please ensure you give this to your child's class teacher in a named envelope.

Many thanks for your support.

From the Year 3 team



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Please fill in the form below to give permission for your child to attend.

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I give permission for my child to attend the trip to Conkers Education Centre on 14.7.23.

Pupil name: _____ Class: _____

Emergency contact name: _____ Emergency contact number: _____

Please state any medication required, including travel sickness: _____

Parent/carer name: _____ Parent/carer signature: _____