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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 6

<u>Year 6 Residential Trip to Blackland Farm 2020 for children eligible for Free School</u> Meals.

We are pleased to confirm that the residential trip to Blackland Farm activity centre will take place between Monday 6th June 2022 and Friday 10th June 2022. There will be a parents meeting to provide more information about this trip. More information about TrekCo and Blackland Farm can be found at www.trekco.com or www.blacklandfarm.org.uk

The total cost for children eligible for free school meals will be £163.00, which is 50% of the full cost, the balance being subsidised by the school. Parents are not obliged to make a contribution, but it is probable that if insufficient monies are received the trip will have to be cancelled. If there are exceptional cases of hardship, the school will try to support costs through its own budget, but this would reduce what we are able to spend in terms of materials and equipment for the children.

To ease the financial pressure on parents we have phased payments for this trip across the school year. Please make the initial payment of **£40 by 4**th **March** and then pay £60 by the 1st April and £63 final payment by 1st May. Alternatively, you can pay the full amount at any point before the 1st May

All parents are asked to pay at least £100 to confirm their child's place on the trip by the 1st April. No refunds will be given after this date.

We ask that you pay this through ParentPay, where you can also give your consent for the trip. Please call the office if you have lost your activation letter or would like help getting started.

We appreciate that some families might find it particularly difficult to contribute all or part of the suggested sum. If you are in this position and have need of financial assistance, please write in confidence to Miss Williamson.

We would like every child in Year 6 to attend this trip and we will do all we can to support families to enable their child to attend. Please contact me in confidence if you would like assistance.

Further details about the trip will be available nearer the time, if you have any questions or concerns then please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully
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