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## Dear Parents/Carers,

We are very excited to announce that we have arranged for all Reception pupils to attend a trip, to Thorndon Park – Gruffalo Experience, on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> March, as part of their Explorers Unit to support our Literacy and Understanding the World. During the day we will go on the Gruffalo trail, explore different habitats and which animals live there. It promises to be a busy and fun packed day.

The cost of the trip will be £16.50 per child; this includes the cost of the transport, entrance and an educational session. If the school is unable to cover the cost of the trip due to a shortfall in payments, the school will cancel the activity and refund parents. All money must be paid by 7<sup>th</sup> February 2024 via Arbor. Payment on Arbor gives consent for your child to attend. If you are finding it difficult to make this payment, please speak with the office to see what other payment arrangements can be made.

Please ensure your child is in school by 8:40am, as we plan to leave promptly at the beginning of the school day. We will return to school by the end of the school day. If we are delayed due to traffic, the school office will be informed. Your child must wear school uniform, but can wear alternative trousers and comfortable sensible shoes. Please be mindful of the weather and dress your child appropriately; this includes sun cream and sunhats.

Your child will need to bring a healthy packed lunch (please no sweets, chocolates or fizzy drinks). Alternatively, you may wish to order a free school packed lunch. Please let the office know by 7<sup>th</sup> February via email at admin.bps@catrust.org.uk so they can book your child a packed lunch. There will be no time to visit the gift shops, so please do not send any additional money with your child.

We will need a small number of parent helpers, so please email the office if you are available. This will be on a first come first serve basis.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Agoston and Miss Ravindran















