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Dear Parent/Carer,

The children in our Reception classes will be exploring the theme of 'amazing animals' in the second half of the Spring term. To complement their understanding the children will enjoy the 'Incredible Eggs' experience – duck eggs will be delivered to the classes on Tuesday 2nd March.

We would like to keep this as a surprise for the children, so please do not tell them what will be inside the eggs!

Incredible Eggs is a company that provides embryo eggs for schools to hatch, giving children a wonderful nine-day experience in which they can see ducklings hatching first hand—an experience that is always a highlight of the year—after which the ducklings are sent to local farms to live in a natural environment.

To further their learning, we have also arranged a visit to Woolley Firs where they will take part in a 'Teddy Bears Picnic' workshop. The children will have an adventure in the woods and learn the secrets of how wild animals survive. As the workshops at Woolley Firs are limited to 60 children, we have arranged the visits over two days.

Class RHT will visit on Tuesday 17th March
Classes RAN & RG will visit on Thursday 19th March

We will need some parent helpers to accompany us on the visits. If you are able to help please can you email office.riverbridge@lumenlearningtrust.co.uk We will then contact you once we have confirmed the number of adult helpers required and next steps. We may require individuals to accompany their child if a risk assessment deems this necessary. Your class teacher will provide details of this if it is required.

All the children and adults will travel by coach from Knowle Green Base, during the morning and will return by 3pm. Drop off and pick up places are as normal. PE kit should be worn - jogging bottoms, yellow t-shirt and trainers along with their Riverbridge sweatshirt. We recommend that they bring everything inside a named backpack that the children are able to carry themselves to and from the coach.

Children will need to bring:

- Named water bottle
- A packed lunch in a named lunchbox (No nuts, fizzy drinks, cans or glass bottles please)
- A pair of wellies in a named carrier bag
- A named small teddy bear that fits in their backpack (one that you won't mind getting a little bit grubby from den building!)

We are fortunate that the PTA will be funding the cost of the duckling eggs experience for the children, so the cost for the visit to Woolley Firs will be £20.90. If the cost of the visit is a concern, please email the school office in confidence. Online consent should be ticked to give permission for your child to take part. Payment can be made in two instalments February & March via www.scopay.com/riverbridge-pri. The cost of the trip is based on all pupils in Reception taking part. The contribution is voluntary, however if there is insufficient support, the trip may be cancelled. As a school we cannot fund this type of enrichment visit without voluntary contributions.



Please do not hesitate to contact the school office if you require any assistance with the consent or payment.

Yours sincerely,

Miss E Andrews
Reception Year Group Leader