

Dear Parents

### **Southend-on-Sea**

Year 2 have planned an exciting visit to Southend-on-Sea as part of our geography topic about seashores. The purpose of the visit will be to identify and observe the key features of a seashore and make comparisons between a town by the sea and their local area.

- **Woodpecker and Puffin Class** will be visiting Southend-on-Sea on **Wednesday 8 March 2023**.
- **Robin and Kingfisher Class** will be visiting Southend-on-Sea on **Thursday 9 March 2023**.

We will be travelling by coach. The children will be leaving school promptly at 9:00 and will return at 4:00 which is **after** normal pick up.

The cost of this trip is £16.50 which will cover the coach journey. In accordance with the 1996 Education Act, we have to ask for 'voluntary contribution' towards the cost of the trip. In the unlikely event that the costs cannot be covered by contributions, the trip will be cancelled. Voluntary contributions to be paid via ParentMail > Payment Item > Shop > Y2 Visit to Southend-on-Sea by Wednesday 1 March at the latest. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium or has Free School Meals the school can support you.

Your child is entitled to Universal Free School Meals so the school can provide a packed lunch which will consist of a cheese sandwich, a piece of fruit, vegetable sticks and a bottle of water or you can provide your own packed lunch (no nuts, fizzy drinks or glass bottles please). Please indicate whether your child will require a school packed lunch by **4.00 on Monday 27 February**. *Please do not order lunch for your child if you are going to send your own packed lunch.*

Your child should wear a school uniform and ensure they have a warm coat.

If you are available and would like to accompany us on the trip, please express your interest on ParentMail and your class teacher will confirm parent volunteers once all responses have been submitted. To reduce the cost of the coach we have booked smaller vehicles which means that we would be grateful if a couple of parents are able to drive and meet us in Southend. Please indicate on the form whether you are able to do this.

**All children on our asthma register must make sure they have an up to date pump with them on the day. Children without their pumps will not be allowed to go.**

Many thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

Year 2 team