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Dear Parents

Our annual visit to Cullercoats is on Wednesday 28th June 2023.

Reception and Year 1: We require a higher ratio of adult helpers for children in Reception and Year 1 classes. In order to maintain a happy, safe visit to Cullercoats we will need 1 adult to 2 Reception/Year 1 children. If you are able to act as a helper for the visit, please leave your name at the office.

The cost of the visit is £8 payable on **ParentPay** and in accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act we can only ask for voluntary contributions. **If it is not possible to finance the trip through voluntary contributions then regrettably the trip will be cancelled.** This covers the cost of the coaches to/from the beach.

There will be some spare seats on the bus and if you need one of these, please also let the office know. You will be notified if you have a place on the bus at a later date. Mrs Carr and Mrs Shaw will be able to advise you from 20th June, the cost for parents will be the same as the children, £8. **Parents are very welcome and eagerly encouraged to join us on the beach.** It is a great day and we encourage as many parents as possible to come and make it a real family occasion. We expect to be at Cullercoats by approx. 10am and will be leaving at 2.00pm.

We set out a clear boundary for where Archibald children can go on the beach. Children are **not allowed** to swim, climb rocks or explore caves. They can paddle in the sea to their knees only and therefore need a change of clothes. We ask parents on the beach to support us by enforcing these rules.

Reception, Years 1 & 2

As Reception and KS1 children are entitled to *Universal Free School Meals*, school will provide your child with a packed lunch. Please complete the form (in compliance with Natasha's Law) <https://forms.office.com/e/cb3LQSMrEz> . **If we DO NOT receive this form by 9th June, we will assume that you are providing your child with their own packed lunch.**

The children will also need to bring from home drinks, sun cream, a change of clothes, a towel, a sun hat and a coat in case of poor weather.

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Years 3 & 4

The children will need to bring a packed lunch, drinks, sun cream, a change of clothes, a towel, a sun hat and a coat in case of poor weather.

If your child is eligible for free school meals because you are in receipt of certain benefits, please inform the school office by the 9th June if you require a school provided packed lunch and complete this form <https://forms.office.com/e/cb3LQSMrEz>.

All children can also bring buckets and spades but we cannot be responsible for their safe return. Children will need to have had sun cream applied **before** leaving home and we will ask the children to re-apply this at lunchtime. We ask parents on the beach to help us to do this.

The PTFA provide all children with iced lollies so no money is allowed. If the weather is fine children are welcome to stay on the beach with their parents. You will be asked to sign a class list at the end of the day.

Yours sincerely

Rebecca Turner
Head Teacher

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