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Dear Parents / Carers,

We are very excited to have booked a trip to Beamish for our Year 4 children. The trip will take place on **Wednesday 29th November**. The children will be leaving school at 9.15 but will be **returning later than usual – at 3.45pm** (approximately).

The Day: During the visit, the children will be in groups and will have the chance to explore all areas of the museum, including: going down the mine; visiting the new 1950s village; exploring an old-fashioned sweetshop; visiting the fair and experiencing life in a Victorian classroom.

The children will all take part in a brilliant Beamish workshop entitled '*Just One Spark*'.

Cost: The cost of this visit has been significantly subsidised by the PTFA, who have contributed £400 towards the cost of this trip.

In accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act, we can only ask for a voluntary contribution of **£10** to cover the cost of the visit payable **via Parent Pay by 20.11.23**. This includes the cost of the coach, entry into the museum and the workshop. If it is not possible to fund the trip with voluntary contributions then regrettably the trip cannot take place. There is no charge for children who are eligible for free school meals.

Spending money: There will be the opportunity to spend money at the museum but we ask that children bring **no more than £5** which must be in a wallet. The children are responsible for their own money.

Lunch: Children who are normally packed lunch must bring their own lunch as usual but **with two drinks**. Pop, glass bottles and sweets should not be included.

All children who are normally school meals will have a school packed lunch provided for them. We ask that they also bring their water bottle so they have two drinks in total. You must let the school office know by 25th October if you **DO NOT** want a school packed lunch or you will be charged for this.

Clothing: Children may wear jeans / trousers but must also wear sensible and comfortable shoes, their school sweatshirts and have a coat / waterproof with them. Due to the time of year, children may also require hats and gloves.

Your child will also need a backpack, as they will be carrying their belongings and lunch around with them.

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As the visit is taking place during the school day a permission slip is not required. However, please ensure that your contact numbers, emergency contact details and child's medical information are up to date with the school office prior to this visit taking place.

We do need a very small number of parent helpers. If you are able to help, please do come and see us as soon as possible.

Kind regards

Mrs Graham

Mr Morrow

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