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Dear Parents

Our annual visit to Cullercoats is on Friday 12th July 2024.

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 £9 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 by the school office if you have a place on the bus at a later date and the cost of the seat £9 will be added to parent pay. **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 arrive 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. All children **MUST** remain seated for the 30-minute lunch break. We ask parents on the beach to support us by enforcing these rules.

Packed Lunches

School **will provide** every child with a packed lunch; they will be given a choice of sandwiches to choose prior to the trip. **If we DO NOT receive notification by 21st June that you will be giving your child their own packed lunch, we will provide them with a school one.**

Items Needed

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

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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 independently 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

R Turner

Rebecca Turner
Head Teacher

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