

18th November 2015

Dear Parent / Guardian

In the Spring term Year 5 will be invited to take part in an exciting Forest School programme at Panshanger Park. We will visit local woodland for a half-day session once a week for 6 weeks after the February half term in 2016.

Forest Schools are designed to inspire children through a long term, educational approach to outdoor play and learning in the natural environment. The programme will support the national curriculum whilst also enabling your child to build confidence and develop their social and creative skills. The Forest School is run by trained Forest School Leaders from Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust, who are working in partnership with Lafarge Tarmac to deliver an exciting new Forest School initiative based at Panshanger Park. If you would like to find out more about the Panshanger Park Forest School visit the website www.hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/forestschool

There will need to be a cost for these sessions @£36 per child. The cost covers the sessions with the Forest Leader at Panshanger Park, the minibus costs to transport the children to the park and use of their waterproofs whilst we are there.

We are aware that the children are also attending swimming lessons during this term and this will also lead to requesting another amount of money! As a result of this, we thought we would give you as much notice as possible. The sessions are not compulsory, but we are hoping that all the Year 5 children will be able to come along. In order for us to go ahead with the booking, we need to have a good idea of whether you would like your child to go and need an expression of interest at this point.

Could you please complete the attached slip and return to Carys Goodman via the Office, by Friday 27th November.

Many thanks,

Carys Goodman

Forest School Leader

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

I *intend/do not intend to sign my child up for the Forest School sessions in February 2016

Signed:

Date:

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