



# BISHOP CORNISH CHURCH OF ENGLAND V.A. PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Carers,

## Reception and Year 1 Paignton Zoo Trip

Some of you may be thinking about the measures we have put in place regarding the trip on Friday. We have been in telephone contact with the zoo to ascertain how they are minimising any risk of coming into contact with COVID-19. They have confirmed the following:

“We are continuing to monitor the situation with the Covid-19 outbreak and are constantly reviewing and following advice from the Government and Public Health England. The health and safety of our guests, staff, volunteers and animals remains our top priority. However, to ease large groups of people gathering together, there will be no daily animal talks until further notice. All face painting activities have also stopped and more space has been created between tables in our Restaurant”.

Paignton Zoo, an outdoor site, has reassured us that hand sanitiser is available at various points across the site and that there are various washrooms to enable children to wash their hands as often as required (they have provided maps for easy reference) and they have increased cleaning of these facilities. They have also confirmed that another school will be visiting on the same day and that the visit will be managed to avoid contact with the other school. As a school, we are providing each group with their own pot of sanitiser.

As measures have been put into place that are similar to current school procedures, we will be going ahead with the trip unless directed otherwise by the Government in the next 48 hours. Detailed risk assessments have been completed and reviewed to ensure the welfare and safety of the children, accompanying parents and staff. We feel that all necessary measures are in place to ensure the children have a safe, fun educational day, however if you have any concerns, please do talk with your child's teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Edlin  
Reception Class

Mrs Oakes  
Class One

Mrs Green  
Headteacher

