



# The Bliss Charity School

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Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2017

Dear families,

It is with great pleasure that I can share Class 5's Term 5 trip.

To fully immerse the children in our new topic (Changes in Britain from the Stone Age to the Iron Age), I have arranged an exciting Stone Age themed day at Everdon Outdoor Learning Centre and woods on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017.

The children will be in the woods all day (regardless of the weather), with a stop-off at the centre for lunch. Activities, led by fully-qualified rangers, will include:

- Communication games;
- Hunting issues – problem solving a river crossing with a food haul;
- Shelter building with sticks and 'skins';
- Neolithic stone balls – clay work;
- Wattle and daub mini fence;
- Group tracking games/sensory awareness - sense meditation;
- Natural paints and marks - make a brush and other tools;
- Eating from the land – foraging for foods such as blackberries, sweet chestnuts, hazelnuts, wood sorrel, nettles, goose grass, dandelions etc.;
- Searching for water in the landscape;
- Fire steels – creating a spark.

I am delighted to inform you that this trip, including coach hire for the day, is **FREE!**

In a new initiative, each class now receives £250 per year from *The Friends of Bliss* specifically to pay for enrichment experiences for the children. I have used *The Friends'* generous donation to part-fund this trip. Our class curriculum budget (another new enterprise to enhance the curriculum) has been used to pay for the remaining cost of the visit. As a result, there is **no cost** to parents/carers for this trip!

### Itinerary:

- Arrive at school as normal.
- Coach departs for Everdon Learning Centre at 9:30.
- Lunch at the Centre.
- The coach returns to school at 2:30; depart school as normal.

The rangers have insisted that children wear appropriate clothing suitable for all weathers: full-length trousers and a long-sleeved top, waterproofs and wellies. A healthy, disposable packed-lunch will also be required and a bottle of water (no fizzy drinks please).

This will be a great day out for the children (and teachers!) and it will really help the pupils understand the challenges of life in Britain in the Stone Age. Please complete and return the consent form (below) by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2017 and ensure that I am aware of any medical conditions your child may have, as well as medication they may need on the day of the trip.

Head Teacher: Mr S. Carter  
Bursar: Ms L. Adey

Kind regards,



Mrs. Bastin  
(Class 5 teacher)

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I \_\_\_\_\_ parent/carer) give permission for \_\_\_\_\_  
to go to Everdon Outdoor Learning Centre and woods on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2017 with Bliss school  
and travel on the coach to and from the venue.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_