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Dear Parents and Carers,

I am pleased to share with you an exciting upcoming trip for our Year 4 pupils!

Year 4 will be attending a 'food detectives' workshop at Bayer Laboratories in Reading. This leading, UK pharmaceutical company have built a specialist lab among their facilities to allow children a taste of life in the STEM industry.

The 'food detectives' workshop focuses on our digestive system and the different food groups. Students will investigate how to fully digest a banana sandwich, following its passage through the mouth, oesophagus, stomach and intestines. Students will then conduct chemical tests on different food groups, and learn what a healthy, balanced diet looks like. Directly linked to the Science National Curriculum, this experience is sure to provide excellent, hand-on learning opportunities for the children in preparation for upcoming topics.

The visit will run over 2 days. Linnet class will visit on Tuesday, 17th October and Crossbill class on Wednesday, 18th October 2024.

Fantastically, this is a free workshop, we will however be asking for a contribution of £12.60 per child to cover the cost of travel by coach. No child will be omitted from the trip on the grounds of financial hardship. However, in order for the trip to take place we need to ensure that we receive sufficient voluntary contributions. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough contributions we will have to cancel the trip. If your child is currently in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, and you require support with this contribution, please contact the office. Please complete the on-line permission and payment via the school Gateway App or by clicking this link www.schoolgateway.com by Friday 4th October, where you can also request a school lunch if needed.

Thank you for your support in helping us to provide these amazing learning opportunities for your children.

Kind regards

Miss Coomber
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