

25th May 2022

Dear Parents

### Year 3 Trip: Clearwell Caves

We are excited to let you know that we have booked a trip to Clearwell caves in the Forest of Dean. The caves are part of a 'Natural England designated site of Special Scientific interest' and the visit will consolidate our learning about rock and soil formations linked to our science lessons.

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| Date  | Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> July |
| Times | 9.15am to 2.30pm             |
| Where | Clearwell Caves              |

#### About the trip

We will be discovering the hidden world that the miners created as they dug through natural caverns to remove iron ore and ochre pigments. The children will be guided around the caves by an experienced tour guide who will show them the different types of rocks, and explain how they were created. They will also talk about the various prehistoric creatures that inhabited the caves to tie in with our learning about fossils.

#### Required for the day:

A packed lunch (no cans, glass or fizzy drinks please)

A healthy snack

Plenty of water

Warm waterproof coat as the caves are a consistent 10 degrees inside all year round

Sun cream and a hat, if the weather is particularly warm.

It would be impossible to fund the trip out of school money. Therefore, we ask parents to make a voluntary contribution of £12.50 towards the cost of the visit. All payments can be made through the ParentPay system. Please make sure that you provide your consent by ticking the appropriate box. Parental consent is necessary for your child to attend this trip and should be made by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> July**.

Thank you for your continued support,

The Year 3 Team

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