

**HAREFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL
PARK LANE, HAREFIELD, UB9 6BJ**

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Date: 26/4/19

Dear Parents / Carers,

EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO: Chiltern Open Air Museum on: 11/6/2019

A History theme day at Chiltern Open Air Museum will immerse the children in the Stone Age, Bronze Age and Iron Age era:

During our theme day children will

- Spend time in Iron Age house
- Learn about how people lived in the Stone Age in an outdoor classroom.

We are arranging the above educational visit for your child's year group. The trip will support their learning and provide them with the opportunity to expand their knowledge and experiences. A full risk assessment has been undertaken.

The coach (with seat belts) will leave school at 9.00 am and will return by the end of school.

Please collect your child at 3.10pm, as usual.

Children will require a packed lunch for the day, including a drink in a carton as well as additional water. Everything will be thrown away after lunch, so please bring in a **NAMED** carrier bag NOT a lunch box and carried in a small rucksack. The children are to wear own clothing with a school jumper and suitable outdoor clothing, according to the British weather on the day, e.g. a waterproof coat if wet or apply sunscreen before school and bring in a sunhat if sunny! The museum advise long trousers due to the nature of some the activities.

For this visit we will be asking for a contribution of **£ 17.27** per child. The cost is based on every child's place being paid for at the requested contribution or funded by the Government through the Pupil Premium Grant*. No parent/carer financially supports the place of any other child. Failure to raise sufficient funds would mean the trip could not go ahead.

The children will **not need** spending money for the day.

Please send a cheque made payable to Harefield Junior School, LB Hillingdon. If you do not have a cheque book then cash would be acceptable. **Please return your payment in a sealed envelope clearly marked with your child's name and amount enclosed.**

**Please note, you will not have to make a payment for your child, if you have made an application (and this has been approved) for your child to receive Free School Meals, i.e. are in receipt of the following: Income Support, Income-based Jobseekers Allowance, Income-related Employment and Support Allowance, Support from NASS (National Asylum Support Service) under part 6 of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, the guarantee element of State Pension Credit, Child Tax Credit (with no Working Tax Credit) with an annual income of no more than £16,190, Working Tax Credit run-on, Universal Credit. Please advise the office immediately if this is the case (all matters are dealt with confidentially).*

If your child suffers from travel sickness, please let the class teacher know. Likewise, please let them know if any medication for this has been taken before the trip.

Please sign and return the permission slip, together with your voluntary contribution by **Friday 17th May**

Yours sincerely,

Year 3 Team

Harefield Junior School

PLEASE RETAIN THIS PART OF THE LETTER FOR YOUR REFERENCE.

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Please complete this part of the letter and return to your child's class teacher.

Child's Name _____ Class _____

I give permission for my child to visit: on.....

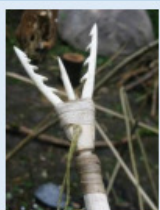
I enclose a voluntary contribution of £.....

Cheques to be made payable to "Harefield Junior School, LB Hillingdon"

My contact telephone number on the day of the trip will be:.....

Signed _____ (Parent/Guardian)

The details below are the museums outline of the for us. If you need any further information, please ask.
Our apologies for the small print but we wanted to ensure you had all the necessary information.



WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- This workshop will run for 90 minutes and will reflect an overall narrative.
- The workshop leader will present the session in character and may, at various points, involve the children within this narrative.
- The session is planned for groups of 30 children or less – we can accommodate more than 30 children within one session as long as school staff accept that quality may be affected as the activities become less accessible. We may ask schools to pay for an extra member of Museum staff to support sessions containing more than 30 children. It isn't possible to accommodate more than 35 children within one session.
- Children will engage in aspects of Stone Age life via different activities.
- Workshop leaders will be dressed in authentic costume and will use replica/authentic objects and tools.

ACTIVITY DETAILS:

1. **Creating an armband from cordage** – children create Stone Age cordage from raffia and from this, create their personal armband.
2. **Creating pigment** – children use vegetable suet and natural pigments; which they blend together to create a pigment. This pigment may be used to add colour to their armband or to 'paint' the trees within their camp.
3. **Exploring precious items** – children will have the opportunity to explore a handling collection of Stone Age replica items (including bone, antler and seashells and leather items).
4. **Practice creating shelters** – children have the opportunity to cover standing shelter frames with animal skins (replica leather is used).
5. Children have the opportunity to **create fire** – under the direct guidance of a museum educator the children will create a spark using modern strikers and then practice turning the spark into a flame.
6. **Re-enacting the hunt** – children use boar skins (authentic) to act out the process of a hunt.



WHAT'S INCLUDED:

- This workshop will run for 60 minutes and will reflect an overall narrative.
- The workshop leader will present the session in character and may, at various points, involve the children within this narrative. **Children will be asked to play the role of Iron Age children living within the Roundhouse compound.**
- The session is planned for groups of 30 children or less – we can accommodate more than 30 children within one session as long as school staff accept that quality may be affected as the activities become less accessible. We may ask schools to cover the costs of additional Museum staff to support a session including more than 30 children. It isn't possible to accommodate more than 35 children within one session.
- Children will engage in aspects of Iron Age life via different activities.
- Workshop leaders will be dressed in authentic costume and will use replica/authentic objects and tools.

ACTIVITY DETAILS:

1. **Creating an Iron Age pinch and coil pot** – children make a pinch and coil pot from air drying clay. Instructions are given via a series of photographs.
2. **Making butter** – children will whip fresh cream until butter is formed. They have the opportunity to observe as curds are created and then as the curds solidify to form butter, leaving the butter milk behind in the bowl.
3. **Making Iron Age flat breads** – children will grind grain and then mix this with water to create a flat bread. The workshop leader will then place the flatbread over the fire to cook. Children will take their breads back to school but we must emphasise that these are **NOT TO BE EATEN**.
4. **Create a basket** – children use hazel sticks to create a fish basket. This wattling technique is the same as that used to create the fencing within the compound and to create the walls of the Roundhouse.