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Monday 4th September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am writing to let you know that we plan to take Kitsune Class to the Cheddar Gorge Caves on Thursday 14th September 2023 as an introduction to their first history topic.

This is an exciting opportunity to launch our Stone Age topic within a local context.

The visit will increase the children's understanding and knowledge of Britain's past, by focusing on how people would have lived in prehistoric times. Our plans for the day are to visit the caves, participate in workshop activities and visit the interactive museum.

With the help of the Cheddar guides the children will have the opportunity to find out for themselves how their ancestors lived in the shelter of the Cheddar Gorge for 40,000 years. They will be able to participate in a series of activities including, dressing up, watch a live demonstration of flint knapping and how fire would have been made. They will walk in the footsteps in the cave area where their ancestors would have lived and listen to an interactive talk in the 'daylight zone' of Gough's Cave. The children will have the chance to ask questions and find out information that interests them about life in the Stone Age. It is a relevant area of study for us locally but also covers important new subject content for Key Stage 2.

Payment of £20, which includes transport and entrance fees, will be available on parent pay. We will be leaving school promptly at 9 am and we plan to be back at school by 3.15. On the day, children will need to wear smart school uniform, sensible footwear and bring a waterproof coat. They will also need a packed lunch and drink .

If you need any additional details regarding the trip, or would like to share any information relating to the day, for example the medical needs of your child, please do not hesitate to contact me or the school office.

Yours sincerely, Helen Bond (Kitsune class teacher)

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