

09 July 2025

**Dear Families** 

## Curriculum Enhancement Week Science - Monday 14 July - Wednesday 16 July 2025

With our Curriculum Enhancement Week fast approaching, I wanted to provide you with more details on what is included as part of the science and environmental volunteering days starting on Monday 14 July.

## Monday 14 July - Environmental Volunteering Day

Students will need to arrive at school at the usual time of 8.25am and meet in A25. They will be transported to and from Gravetye by school minibus for a day of environmental volunteering at Gravetye Manor, and will arrive back at school in time to leave at the usual time.

Students should come suitably dressed for manual work outside. Long trousers are preferable but as the weather is going to be hot, shorts are ok but insect repellent and sunscreen is recommended. Sturdy shoes required as we will be working at various sites around the estate with different terrain - nice, white, expensive trainers are not recommended! They will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty of water for the day, as well as a hat. Any students that are eligible for free school meals will have a lunch provided for them that morning. **Nut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit**.

## Tuesday 15 July 2025 - London Zoo

Due to the nature of this trip, we request that all students are in school uniform. As the weather is forecast to be hot, we are advising the uniform they wear is PE kit. This is to allow us to easily recognise all of our students in busy places travelling to and from the zoo, as well as inside it.

We will be visiting London Zoo, travelling by train from East Grinstead train station. We will be leaving on the 9.06am train to London Victoria. Students will need to meet us outside the entrance to East Grinstead train station at 8.30am, where we will give them their train ticket.

We will then change at East Croydon to arrive at London Bridge, allowing us to get a direct tube to Camden Town, and then continue on to London Zoo. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and plenty of water for the day. Any students that are eligible for free school meals will have a lunch provided for them that morning. **Again, nut related products are not allowed to be taken on any school visit**.

Once in the zoo we have a day of exploring planned, as well as several talks from the zoo keepers scheduled throughout the day. Students will be given the chance to visit the London Zoo shop at the end of the day. If they would like to buy themselves a small gift, please ensure they have some money with them. We recommend not bringing more than £10.00.

We will then return to East Grinstead train station via the underground and train. We are planning to arrive at 3.50pm. Students will be dismissed from the station to either be collected or make their own way home. We ask that you complete this <u>Google consent form</u>, to give permission for your child to take part and also to let us know how your child will be collected at the end of the day.















In case of train delays, we will ask students to call you to confirm our arrival time. If they are unable to contact you a member of staff will contact you to let you know of our adjusted arrival time using telephone numbers we already hold for you on our school system.

Insurance for all school trips is arranged through West Sussex County Council. Full details can be found on the school <u>website</u>.

## Wednesday 16 July - In School Science

Students do <u>not</u> need to wear school uniform, and should arrive at the normal time of 8.25am. They will be registered in A25, and we will be remaining in school and students will be completing a series of fun science based activities.

If you have any questions, please contact me at <u>ablackmore@sackvilleschool.org.uk</u>.

Yours sincerely

Mr Andy Blackmore Trip Leader