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*Be strong and  
courageous.....for  
the Lord your God is  
with you*

Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

**Forest School trip to Long Orchard**  
**Monday 20<sup>th</sup> and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January 2025**

I am delighted to inform you that Year 2 will be participating in an exciting conservation trip to Long Orchard, Saunderton, organised by Chiltern Rangers. This experience will provide a fantastic opportunity for the children to learn about environmental conservation and take part in activities aimed at supporting the rare Duke of Burgundy butterfly and its habitat. It is a great example of Courageous Advocacy in action.

To make the most of the experience, the class will be **divided into two groups**. One group will visit Long Orchard on Monday **20<sup>th</sup>** January 2025, and the other on Monday **27<sup>th</sup>** January 2025. You will receive a separate communication to confirm which date your child will attend closer to the time.

On the day of the trip, we'll leave school by minibus in the morning and return by 3:00pm, so **drop-off and pick-up times remain the same as usual**. The children will spend the day outdoors planting tree saplings, sowing cowslip seeds, and clearing overgrown areas to help restore the butterfly's habitat. Along the way, they'll learn about the importance of protecting wildlife and preserving natural spaces.

As the weather can be unpredictable, it's important that your child comes **dressed appropriately**. They should wear warm, layered clothing, waterproofs, and sturdy footwear such as wellington boots. Please also send them with a hat (a woolly one for cold weather or a cap if it's sunny) and a small backpack containing their packed lunch, a snack, and a drink.

As this trip occurs on a Monday, Fresh Start are not able to provide Packed Lunches for these trips. Please contact Fresh Start to cancel any Hot Meals you have ordered and provide your child with a Packed Lunch. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium and would like a Packed Lunch provided, please contact the office before 9am Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Chiltern Rangers will provide hot chocolate and biscuits to keep everyone energised, but please be aware we are unable to cater for specific dietary requirements while on-site. Please complete the online form to consent to your child having a hot chocolate and biscuits while at Long Orchard. <https://forms.office.com/e/GCcNnjRB0P>

Do note that there are no formal toilet facilities at Long Orchard, so the children will need to manage with "wild wees."



Chiltern Rangers staff are fully DBS-checked and trained in safeguarding, and our own school staff will be on hand to ensure the children are well-supervised and supported throughout the day.

This promises to be a memorable and enriching experience for the children, giving them the chance to connect with nature and learn the value of caring for our planet. If you have any questions or concerns about the trip, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



Miss T. Carøe  
Year 2 Class Teacher

