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Dear Parents/Carers,

Beech Class Visit to Port Lympne Safari Park – Monday 9th February 2026

As part of our science curriculum next term, the children will be learning about habitats, animals and their diets. With this in mind, we are pleased to have arranged to take the children to Port Lympne Safari Park, located on Aldington Road, Hythe, Kent CT21 4PD, on **Monday 9th February 2026**.

Port Lympne is part of The Aspinall Foundation, a world-class animal conservation charity, dedicated to protecting endangered animals around the globe and was founded in 1984. Now, over 30 years on, their mission remains the same. They are more dedicated than ever to returning as many captive bred animals as possible to protected wilderness areas and reserves located throughout the world.

The children will take part in a hands-on workshop called 'Habitat and Adaptation' and have an opportunity to apply the knowledge they have been learning during their science lessons. The children will also take part in an authentic safari experience, by taking a safari truck around acres of stunning Kentish savannah, experiencing animals such as giraffes, lions, rhinoceroses and gorillas, from all around the world.

The children should wear a full school uniform, with a waterproof coat and hat and gloves if needed. They will need to bring a healthy packed lunch with a refillable bottle of water. Please can everything your child needs be put in a backpack, which they are able to carry for themselves throughout the day.

The cost of this trip is **£19 per child**, which includes entry into the safari park, a specialist workshop, a specialist safari ride around the park and transportation to and from the venue via the school minibus. This should be paid directly via the Schoolcomms, under the payment '**Beech Trip to Port Lympne Safari Park 2026**'. You can pay for the trip in increments of £1 and we will leave the payment open until **Friday 6th February 2026**.

Please can the children arrive at school for 8:20am, as we will depart for 8:30am. We aim to **return back to school for an approximate 4pm pickup**. Should this change on the day, we will alert you via ClassDojo or Schoolcomms.

We need to leave promptly in order to make our morning workshop, unfortunately we won't be able to wait for any children that are late.

Yours faithfully,

Mr Johnson
Head of School