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Dear Parents/Carers,

**Birch Trip to Castle Farm in Shoreham – Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March 2026**

**I am very pleased to let you know, that Birch Class will be visiting Castle Farm in Shoreham, on Friday 6th March 2026.** This visit is completely free of charge and will give the children a wonderful opportunity to explore a real working farm, whilst deepening their understanding of the natural world.

Our day will begin at 10.00am, with a two-hour guided tour led by the Castle Farm team. The children will spend time outdoors exploring different areas of the farm, including the river surroundings, hedgerows, wheat fields, lavender fields and the orchard. They will learn about crops, local wildlife and how food grows, and there may even be a chance to spot some tractors along the way! After the tour, the children will eat their packed lunches in a suitable space on the farm, depending on the weather, and we plan to leave the site at around 1.00pm.

We will be travelling to and from the farm, via the school minibus. Your child should come to school at the normal drop-off time and will be back for their normal pick-up time. Please ensure that your child isn't late for school, as we will be leaving promptly after registration.

**To help the children enjoy the day comfortably, please ensure they bring a packed lunch, a water bottle, wellies, clothing suitable for outdoors and a warm, weather-appropriate coat. Anything that your child isn't wearing, should be put in a back-pack, that your child is able to carry on the day.**

We're currently liaising with Mr Manning about Forest School arrangements for next week, because we appreciate that Friday is usually the day that Birch class would do Forest School for this term. If Mr Manning is able to run Forest School on an alternative day that week for Birch class, we will advise you via ClassDojo.

We are excited to offer the children such a memorable learning experience and are sure they will have a fantastic day!

Kind regards,

**James Johnson**  
**Head of School**