Dear Parents / Carers 05.09.16

Year 3 and Year 4 trip to Flag Fen

As an introduction to our Key Stage 2 topic about prehistoric life, we will be travelling back 3,500 years to discover what life was like for our prehistoric ancestors at a Bronze Age archaeological site. Unfortunately we don’t have a time machine but we will be visiting Flag Fen, near Peterborough, which is recognised as the finest Bronze Age archaeological site in Northern Europe. Children will have the opportunity to handle ancient artefacts, to make pots and decorate them in prehistoric styles, to explore traditional roundhouses and to learn more about archaeology.

Both Year 3 classes, as well as Year 4, will visit Flag Fen on **Monday 19th September.**

We shall be travelling by coach, leaving Duxford at 8.45am and returning to school by about 3.15pm.  On the day of their trip, children should arrive at school at **8.30am** so that we can set off promptly. Please come into classes via the KS2 entrance.

Children should bring a packed lunch and a named water bottle with them.  Please could this be provided in a completely disposable named bag, so all leftovers can be thrown away once the children have eaten. No glass bottles or fizzy drinks please. If your child normally has a free school meal, and you would like them to have a packed lunch provided by the Catering Service, please let us know in confidence by Friday 9th September.

Children should dress for the weather conditions with a sun hat, sun lotion or coat as appropriate. Please wear a school jumper or cardigan as it makes them easily identifiable. Museum staff have requested that children wear sturdy shoes as they will be walking around the site where the ground is uneven. If it has rained in the days leading up to the trip, or if it is raining when we visit, it would be wise to wear wellies or walking boots. The museum is located in the fens and the ground can be boggy.

The cost of this exciting trip is £12.50 per child – this includes coach travel and the activities, detailed above, led by members of the Flag Fen education team. If you have any concerns about paying this contribution, the school currently has some funding set aside to help with this sort of difficulty, particularly for children on free school meals.  Please come and talk to us in confidence if this may apply to you. We are keen that all the children take part in this exciting trip.

Please sign the permission slip below and return it to school, together with the payment, by Monday 12th September. If you have any questions, please speak to your class teacher.

Yours sincerely

Suzanne Blackburne-Maze Denvor Owens Laura Stinton

Class teachers

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Key Stage 2 trip to Flag Fen Monday 19th September – please return this slip by 14th September

I give permission for my child ……………………………………………………………………………… to visit Flag Fen.

My child has the following medical conditions …………………………………………………………………………………………………….

I enclose £12.50 towards the cost of the trip. Cheques payable to Duxford C of E Community Primary School please.

Signed …………………………………………………………………………………………… Date ……………………………………..