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Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange Environment Centre

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that on Thursday 12th March 2026 we will be visiting Skelton Grange Environment Centre in Leeds to take part in their Plants and Animals workshops. This visit will enhance our Science learning about Animals and provide valuable pre-learning for our Plants topic later in the year.

During the day, children will participate in various hands-on outdoor activities including:

- Exploring different animal habitats and searching for minibeasts in woodland areas
- Pond dipping to discover aquatic creatures and learn about their lifecycles
- Investigating a variety of plants and creating nature-inspired artwork
- Learning about animal diets (herbivores, carnivores, and omnivores) through fun, practical activities
- Examining different parts of plants and discovering how they grow and change

We will be travelling to the venue by coach and sufficient members of staff/adults will accompany the children on the visit. The coach will leave school at approximately 9:15am and we will return before the end of the school day.

What your child needs to wear to school:

- Wellington boots (essential for pond dipping and woodland activities)
- Warm, waterproof coat
- Weather-appropriate clothing that can get muddy (long sleeves and long trousers recommended)
- Small backpack to carry their lunch and any spare clothes
- Water bottle (no glass please)

Year 1 pupils are entitled to have a packed lunch provided by school or you may wish to provide your child's lunch. Please indicate on the online permission form if you would like school to provide lunch and select your child's sandwich choice.

We kindly request a voluntary contribution of **£19.35** per child towards the cost of the visit. These contributions will fund most of the costs to be incurred. No child will be denied the opportunity to take part in the visit in the event of parents/carers being unable to pay the contribution. In cases of hardship, you are invited to speak in confidence to Mrs Marsland. However, please note that if insufficient contributions are received the visit may have to be cancelled and all monies returned.

We would be grateful if you could please follow the link to complete our online form and pay the voluntary contribution using our online payment system (www.parentpay.com) by 23rd February.

[Year 1 Trip to Skelton Grange Environment Centre Thursday 12th March 2026 – Fill in form](#)



Co-CEOs: Mrs Helen Pratten & Ms Catherine Garrett

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Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions regarding the trip. We are looking forward to a great day out.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Nicholls
Year 1 Class Teacher