



HAWRIDGE & CHOLESBURY CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

Y5 Trip to Earth Trust – Friday 6th November 2026

I am pleased to confirm that we have secured a trip to the Earth Trust, an outdoor education environmental charity, based in Abingdon, Oxfordshire. The purpose of the trip is for the children to experience a day in the life of an Anglo Saxon (having been learning about the Vikings and Anglo Saxons in History). They will explore a landscape that is steeped in history – an area which has been home to settlers for thousands of years. They will have an opportunity to connect with historical ways of life in a tangible way; defending the Kingdom of Wessex from the terrifying Picts and Vikings, grinding grains by hand, and cooking on an open fire. In the afternoon they will learn about Anglo Saxon building techniques and have a go at spinning their own yarn.

All children will need to bring a packed lunch and water bottle for the day. If your child is in receipt of free school meals and would like a school packed lunch please indicate this on the google form.

The cost of the trip is £31.10, which covers the experience day with the Earth Trust and coach travel. Please pay via Arbor by Friday 16th October.

Please arrive at school at 8:35am as we need to leave promptly at 8:40am. Our return to school may be slightly later than normal due to the length of journey, but we do aim to be back by 3.35/3.40pm. There may be a place for a parent helper, so if you are interested please let us know on the google form.

Please note we are outside for most of the trip and, as it is November, it may be cold and wet. Therefore, Forest School type clothes should be worn please (not uniform), as well as the following:-

- Wellington boots or walking boots/strong shoes
- Waterproof coat
- Waterproof trousers (if you have them)
- Warm hat/gloves
- Spare shoes (sliders/crocs/trainers) for the coach back
- A carrier bag for muddy clothes
- Spare clothes (socks, joggers/ leggings)

Please complete this [google permission form](#) by Friday 16th October.

Yours sincerely

Miss Rebecca Thorp
Year 5 Class Teacher

There is no obligation to contribute and no one will be excluded because parents are either unwilling or unable to pay. However, if parents are reluctant to support this activity it may have to be cancelled.