

## St Mary's Church of England Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

## Reception visit to The Blue Reef Aquarium in Southsea - Friday 5th July 2024

We would like to take the children to the Bluereef Aquarium where we can get up close to some amazing sea creatures! We have planned to listen to a presentation which focuses on the different ways humans are impacting our planet both at home and en mass. The children will discover how the simplest choices can make the world a better place and help our undersea friends. I am sure you will agree, this is an important message on doing our bit for the planet. The Aquarium has a great outdoor area where we will have lunch and a play. Later we will take a stroll to the beach where we will play some games, collect shells and *hopefully* get an ice cream!

The cost of the trip is £28.89 per person which covers the cost of the coach, entry and ice cream. We would like to give the children an opportunity to visit the shop to buy a souvenir so please bring up to a maximum of £3.00 in a named envelope or purse. We invite you to make a voluntary contribution towards this trip, which can be paid on-line (Scopay) by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024. If you are unable to contribute for any reason please speak to Mrs Buckley in confidence. If we do not receive enough contributions towards the cost of the trip, we will inevitably have to cancel.

Please note that payment in Scopay will act as your consent for your child to participate.

To help the children have an enjoyable day we thought we should remind you of some of the things they will need:

- A packed lunch is required and a water bottle. Please could your child bring this in a named ruck sack
- School uniform should be worn; children should bring a raincoat and wear shoes suitable for walking on rough ground. Trainers are acceptable but not wellies or sandals please.
- If the weather is hot, please make sure they have at least 2 drinks, sun lotion on and bring a hat.

We shall be travelling by coach leaving at 8.45am and will be back at St. Mary's, traffic permitting, at approximately 4.00 p.m. Please bear with us if we are late or else make any necessary arrangements in advance in case the coach is delayed. If we anticipate a late return, you will be notified by text message.

We hope you agree it will be wonderful for the class to have their first school trip together to the seaside! Finally, we may need a couple of adults to accompany us on the trip and supervise a small group. If you would be able to help please let me know.

Yours sincerely

Gayle Lawrence Class Teacher

Through humility, courage and devotion we blossom and grow











