

# The Topsham School

A love of learning and commitment to the success of every child at the heart of all we do.



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Dear Parents and Carers

We are going on a trip to West Town Farm: [www.westtownfarm.co.uk](http://www.westtownfarm.co.uk). Year 1 will be visiting on the 11<sup>th</sup> of March and Year 2 will be visiting on 12<sup>th</sup> March. We will travel by coach, leaving school at 9:30 and returning after lunch.

Visiting West Town Farm fits perfectly with our learning this term; *What do we eat and why*, as they make it their mission to ensure people know where their food comes from. They are a local, organic and sustainable farm on the outskirts of Exeter. Children will have an introduction in the barn and go on an exploring walk around the farm. There will then be a fireside story with a food theme in conclusion. We will eat our lunch in the barn before returning to school in the afternoon.

Please can you ensure that children wear their wellies into school for this trip and bring their school shoes in a named carrier bag to change into upon our return. Children will need a warm, waterproof coat as we will be outside for the duration of the morning. Please ensure children wear their usual school uniform.

To cover the cost of this trip, we are asking for a non-refundable voluntary contribution of £5.80 per child. The cost of this trip has been kindly subsidised by the PTA. For children in receipt of Pupil Premium there is a 50% reduction to £2.90. **Payments should be finalised by Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.** If insufficient contributions are received, we may have to consider the viability of running this trip and/or future trips.

Please pay and give permission for this trip using our online payment system Schoolcomms. When paying online, you are able to give consent and add to the comments box if you are able to help with the trip. We will contact parents who have volunteered if their help is required.

Your child will need to bring a packed lunch for this trip. If you would like to order a school packed lunch, please order a baguette option online as usual via Schoolcomms **by 8.15am on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> March at the latest.** Please note that we will only be able to provide packed lunches booked online by this cut off point.

Many thanks,

Mrs Watts, Mrs Ebdon and Mrs Phillips