

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,

Re: Trip to Exeter Energy from Waste Plant (EfW)

We are writing to inform you about an exciting educational trip that we have planned for our Year 5 and Year 6 students. As part of our current topic, we will be visiting the Exeter Energy from Waste Plant (EfW) located in Marsh Barton, Exeter.

The trip date for Year 6 is Thursday 2nd November.

This trip is a wonderful opportunity for our students to enhance their understanding of waste management and sustainable practices. The Exeter EfW plant serves as an excellent educational resource, offering a range of activities that will broaden their knowledge on the subject.

During the visit, the students will engage in a round robin of activities that have been carefully designed to provide them with a comprehensive learning experience. They will also have the opportunity to visit the plant control room, where they can gain valuable insights into the operations and management of the facility.

One of the main aims of the trip is to educate the children about the three Rs: Reduce, Reuse, and Recycle. They will learn about the importance of these principles in waste management and how they contribute to environmental sustainability. Additionally, the history of waste disposal will be explored, enabling the students to appreciate the progress made in this field over the years. We will be travelling to the Exeter EfW plant by train. Therefore, it is essential for all participating students to arrive at school no later than **8:30am** on the assigned trip date, as any delays may result in the group missing the train departure. We will be back in time for the end of the school day.

We kindly request that you provide your child with a packed lunch for the trip.

If you would like to order a school packed lunch for this trip, please order a baguette option via the school meal ordering system on Schoolcomms.



Any packed lunches required for Thursday 2nd November must be ordered in advance and will need to be ordered on Schoolcomms by Monday 30th October at the latest. We will be unable to fulfil any orders placed after this date.

In terms of appropriate attire, the Centre specifies no shorts or dresses can be worn as legs must be covered. We also ask that your child wears their school jumper. They should also bring a jacket or coat, as we will be spending some time outdoors.

The cost of this educational trip is £2.00 per child. This is reduced to £1.00 for children in receipt of Pupil Premium. **Please ensure you have given consent for your child to take part and made payment by Monday 30th October through Schoolcomms.** If not enough contributions are received, we may have to look at the viability of the trip going ahead.

Thank you for your support in enabling our students to participate in this trip. Your cooperation in preparing your child for the visit is greatly appreciated. If you have any further questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Elliott and Miss Greygoose