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**Stone Age Day & Y3 Trip to Greystones Farm**

Dear Parents,

We are delighted to inform you that we will be holding a Stone Age immersion session for the Year 3 pupils on 7<sup>th</sup> **November**. Outdoor Learning teacher, Chris Oakey, will lead the sessions. Mr Oakey will provide a range of activities from fire lighting, cave painting, building shelters and much more! Children will need to wear their own clothes for the day, ones that they do not mind getting muddy and bring wellies/boots/raincoats and gloves.

In addition to this, we are planning a trip on **Thursday 13th November with Class 1** and **Thursday 20th November with Class 2** to **Greystones Farm**. In History lessons, we will be answering the question, "What was life like for a child in the Stone Age to Iron Age?" Greystones Farm is a nature reserve and is the site of the Salmonsbury Camp, an important meeting place during Neolithic and Iron Age periods. We will be immersing ourselves in a hands on, Iron Age experience and exploring the work of archaeologists across their site. The children will be going into a full sized Roundhouse, lighting fires, cooking and building with wattle and daub.

**The children will be leaving school at 9.15am (normal arrival from 8:35 please) and will return before the end of the school day.**

Children will need a packed lunch and a drink. They do not need to wear school uniform, instead they need to wear warm clothes and ensure they have a waterproof coat (and trousers if you have them). They should also bring wellies or walking boots in an additional bag to change into. We will be outside all day so please ensure you pack for the weather!

We are asking for a contribution to cover the cost of both activities **£15.50** per pupil to cover the cost of the trip, to be paid using your Parentpay account by **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025**.

Although a voluntary contribution is requested we need to stress that unless there is sufficient interest and willingness to contribute towards the cost, **the trip will not be able to go ahead.**

For those families in receipt of Free School Meals, the funding will cover the cost of this trip for your child. However, we would ask you to access your Parentpay account in order for you to give consent for your child to go on this trip.

If you would be interested in being a parent helper with your child's class on this trip, please email [clerical@st-marks.gloucs.sch.uk](mailto:clerical@st-marks.gloucs.sch.uk).

Please do not hesitate to contact your class teacher if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Whale, Mrs Hunt and Miss Barrett