



# Spalding Parish Church of England Day School

*Wholly inclusive, striving for fulfilment, empowering the flourishing of our world*

24<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Year 5 Cambridge Botanic Gardens Friday 18<sup>th</sup> July 2025**

Year 5 are attending an exciting educational trip to enrich their Geography curriculum to Cambridge University Botanic Garden. This visit will offer a wonderful opportunity for children to explore a wide variety of plant life from different climates and biomes around the world. From the lush, humid glasshouses filled with tropical plants, to the dry, spiky landscapes of desert flora, the gardens provide a rich, hands-on learning experience. Pupils will also explore temperate woodlands and alpine environments, observing how plants adapt to survive in diverse conditions. We believe it will be a memorable and inspiring day for all involved.

The children should arrive at school no later than 8:35am but will not be returning to the school until **approximately** 4pm. Due to it being a slightly longer day we would ask that you please provide additional snacks/drink for your child. If your child suffers with travel sickness, please hand sickness medication with a completed medical form to the class teacher prior to the trip. A medication consent form can be obtained from the School Office.

There will be an opportunity for the children to buy a small souvenir from the gift shop before leaving the gardens. However, we ask that you send your child in with no more than £5.00 which they will need to keep in a safe place in their bag for the day.

There is a voluntary contribution of £12.50 for your child to attend the trip which must be made via the 'My Child At School' app (MCAS). The cost is based on all children attending and payment being made. As parent/carers, the cost of other's non-payment does not get passed on to you. Although, this is a voluntary contribution, we must stress that a shortfall in contributions may prevent the trip from going ahead. If you have difficulties in making the payment, please book an appointment with Emily Hill or a member of the SLT.

The children will need to wear school uniform for the trip. As most of the day will be spent outside, please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat/suncream and sunhat for the weather conditions that day. If the weather forecast is for sun, please apply suncream before your child arrives at school.



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**PACKED LUNCH** – If you are entitled to Free School Meals, we can provide your child with a packed lunch which will include a sandwich, biscuit or cake, fruit and veggie sticks. Please complete your choice of sandwich filling on the separate form sent with your child. Please send snacks and plenty of drink for the day.

If you would prefer to provide a packed lunch from home, please indicate this on the form. Please send the lunch in a disposable bag as we will throw these away after lunch.

**Please give permission and make your payment via MCAS by 14<sup>th</sup> July.**

Yours sincerely,

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