



# THE BAIRD PRIMARY ACADEMY

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13<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers,

## **Re: Reception visit to Great Dixter - Cygnets**

To support the children's learning about growing and gardens, we are delighted to take Cygnets to visit Great Dixter House and Gardens on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**. Great Dixter was the family home of gardener and gardening writer Christopher Lloyd – it was the focus of his energy and enthusiasm and fuelled over 40 years of books and articles. Now under the stewardship of the Great Dixter Charitable Trust and Christopher's friend and head gardener, Fergus Garrett, Great Dixter is an historic house, a garden, a centre of education, and a place of pilgrimage for horticulturists from across the world. As part of the pupils' visit they will be able to explore the gardens and enjoy woodland activities such as a petal hunt and cooking.

Miss Rule will be leading this visit supported by other members of academy staff. We will leave The Baird Primary Academy at 9.15am and will return to the academy for dismissal at 3:15pm. We will be travelling with Rambler Coaches and all the children will have a seat belt. The academy has provided journey insurance.

On the day of the visit your child needs to wear their full academy uniform which includes a white t-shirt and purple jumper with the logo on. You are asked to prepare your child for the weather on the day which may include a rain coat. If the sun is shining pupils will need a sun hat. Sun cream will need to be applied before coming to school. Children may bring a small bottle to reapply themselves at lunchtime, please ensure your child is able to carefully apply their product. For the purpose of the visit, the pupils can wear comfy shoes such as trainers.

As your child is in reception, all children have the option of being provided with a packed lunch from the kitchen for the trip. This will include either a ham or a cheese sandwich amongst other items, which needs to be ordered on the attached form, by the deadline. If you wish to provide your child with a packed lunch from home this is absolutely fine, however please indicate this on the return form. Please provide a named back-pack for your child and ensure their lunch has no sweets, fizzy drinks (this includes Lucozade) or glass bottles.

To secure your child's place, we will need a contribution of **£15** per child towards the cost of the coach and the science show. **Please note there will be no refunds for pupils absent on the day of the visit.**



Please complete the attached form and return to your child's Class Teacher as soon as possible. Should you have any questions regarding this visit, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,

Miss K Rule  
EYFS Lead

**Visit to Great Dixter – Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Please return this consent slip by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2019**

Child's Name .....

Child's Class Teacher .....

I give permission for my child to go to Great Dixter on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

I enclose £15 contribution

**Packed Lunches**

I will provide a packed lunch from home for my child on this day

I would like my child to have an academy packed lunch

My child would like a ham sandwich in their academy packed lunch

My child would like a cheese sandwich in their academy packed lunch

Signed ..... Parent/Carer



