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Dear Parent/Carer

**Year 4 trip to Blashford Lakes – Tuesday 23 April and Wednesday 24 April 2024.**

We are delighted to announce our upcoming trip to Blashford Lakes in Ringwood on Tuesday 23rd April 2024 and Wednesday 24th April 2024. We will visit in 2 groups of 45 children per day. You will be informed which day your child will be attending the trip closer to the time. We will be leaving school at approximately 9.30am and aim to return for 3.20pm. Children will need to be picked up from their normal locations.

Blashford Lakes is a stunning nature reserve, well known among birdwatchers. Children will be taking part in a range of activities which are focused around our Spring topic of "Misty mountain, Winding Rivers". They will have the chance to learn about the storage and transportation of water, explore and compare different wetland habitats and will work on their map reading skills to solve puzzles. As the children will be immersed in the nature reserve, surrounded by beautiful scenery, they will also come across various animals in their natural habitat.

**The day will include a picnic lunch at the nature reserve. Children will need to bring their own packed lunch for the day, along with a water bottle. If your child has hot school meals, they will have a lunch provided for them. We would advise each child to bring a small backpack to carry their lunch for the day. We would also advise that each child dresses appropriately for the weather and that they wear comfortable shoes that you don't mind getting muddy!**

**The cost of this trip will be £11 per child** and can be paid by credit or debit card using the school online payment system by logging onto your account on [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com). You can also pay by using the barcode provided at local convenience stores displaying the PayPoint logo. Please do not send cash into school. Payments need to be made by **Friday 19 April 2024**. You are able to pay a little per month to spread the cost if you would like to. If you are in financial difficulty, then please speak to your class teacher, Mrs Heathman or Mrs Dean who will be happy to discuss.

If you have any questions, please speak to your class teacher or Miss Jadav.

Thank you for your support.

Miss R Jadav  
**Head of Year 4**