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Dear Parent/Carer

28<sup>th</sup> April 2021

**Re: Educational Visits to Weardale Outdoor Education Centre**

You may remember that as part of our return to school plan, we wanted to take every child in school to the Weardale Outdoor Education Centre and have been raising funds through local businesses and organisations over the last month. I am delighted to confirm that we have now enough funding to book the first set of trips and we are very close to our target for funding the second round of trips in July.

Each Learning Zone (bubble) will spend a day at the centre doing fun and exciting activities which link to their super power. Each day has been specifically designed by the Education Team at the centre for each Learning Zone. When the second round of funding is secured we will then book a second visit for each Learning Zone in July as their end of year trip. Not only will these activities reinforce the super powers but will also help with the emotional well-being of our children.

The dates for each Learning Zone is as follows:

Date	Learning Zone
Wednesday 5 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Opal
Thursday 6 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Amethyst
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Sapphire
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Ruby
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Emerald
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2021	Diamond

- Children should attend school at their normal time. We will be leaving school at 9.30am to arrive at the centre in Ireshopeburn by 10am.
- Children should wear non-uniform clothes appropriate for the weather that day.
- They should bring waterproofs if they have them.

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- They will need to bring a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals and you would like them to have a packed lunch provided by school, please indicate this on the form below.
- If the weather is hot your child will need to bring a hat and suncream with them.
- Please ensure your child has a bottle of water with them.
- Children will travel by Community Hub Transport buses to ensure they remain in their own bubble and do not come into contact with the general public.
- Activities have been planned to account for the weather and include some outdoor and indoor activities.
- The children will leave the centre at 2.30pm and will be back in school by 3.00pm. You should collect your child at the normal collection time.

All travel and activities at the centre will be Covid-secure and thorough risk assessments have been completed. Our children will be the only children attending the centre and no other schools or visitors will be there.

This educational visit is totally free of charge on this occasion thanks to the generous donations from local businesses and organisations including: William Cook, Stanhope Methodist Church, Stone Valley Interiors, St. Thomas' PCC and others who wish to remain anonymous. We are very grateful for all of the support we have received in funding this project.

I would personally like to thank Cath Rice (parent) who has worked really hard applying for grants and liaising with organisations on our behalf.

Please complete and return the consent form below as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely

*Mrs D Cross*

Mrs D Cross  
Head Teacher

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I give consent for my child to take part in the Educational Visit to the Weardale Outdoor Education Centre at Ireshopeburn.

Name of Child:.....Learning Zone:.....

I do/do not require a packed lunch (only for children entitled to Free School Meals).

Signed by Parent/Carer:.....

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