

5th May 2017

Dear Parents/Carers

Classes 5 and 6 will be visiting the Blue Reef Aquarium in Tynemouth on Friday 19th May 2017. This trip is to support our "Oh I do like to be beside The Seaside" topic and to give children real life experiences of seeing ocean creatures.

We will be travelling by coach leaving school at 9.45am and returning by 2.45pm. On the day we will be looking around the aquarium, on a self-led tour and we will also have an expert led activity where the children will be given the chance to experience rock pooling.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch on the day. If your child is entitled to free school meals because you are in receipt of benefits and you would like school to provide a packed lunch please let us know by Friday 12th May 2017. Children **must** wear their school jumpers and t-shirts but can wear their own bottoms such as jeans or leggings. It is advisable to put packed lunches in a small rucksack so that children can have their hands free to explore.

The PTFA have, once again, very kindly subsidised part of the cost and contributed £125 towards the visit. This amount has been taken off the total amount and brought the cost down to £8.00 per child which includes the entry to the aquarium, travel costs and the cost of the two workshops.

In accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act we can only ask for a voluntary contribution to cover the cost of the visit. If it is not possible to fund the trip with voluntary contributions then regrettably the trip cannot take place. Please pay via Parent Pay by **Monday 15th May**. For children who are eligible for pupil premium funding there is no charge.

The children are also able to bring a maximum of £3 to spend in the gift shop during the visit.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mullick and Mr Morrow

I give permission for my child _____ in class _____ to go to Blue reef Aquarium.

Emergency contact details.

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Telephone: _____

Medical conditions _____ Signed: _____ parent/guardian