

28th February 2019

Dear Parents and Carers

Classes 5 and 6 will be visiting the Blue Reef Aquarium in Tynemouth on Monday 1st April 2019. 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 and the habitats in which they live.

We will be travelling by coach, leaving school at 9.30am and returning by 3pm. 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 various different coastal and sea habitats and the creatures that live in them.

As children in Year 2 are entitled to Universal Free School Meals, school will provide all children with a balanced, healthy school packed lunch.

As you aware children must wear their school uniform and will need sensible shoes for walking around.

As always, each class will need parent helpers to accompany us on the visit and to help supervise the children. **Three parents** will be needed for each class and spaces will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis. If you would like to accompany us on this trip, please speak to a member of the Year 2 team.

The PTFA have, once again, very kindly subsidised part of the cost and contributed £250 towards the visit and this has brought the cost down to £6.00. In accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act we can only ask for a voluntary contribution of £6.00 to cover the cost of the rest of the visit, this includes entrance to the Aquarium, expert-led activity and the coach travel. This payment can only be made via **ParentPay**. If your child is entitled to free school meals because you are in receipt of benefits, or is pupil premium, there will be no charge.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mullick and Mrs Sinclair

I give permission for my child to visit the Blue Reef Aquarium.

Name of child: _____ Class: _____

Any medical conditions: _____

Emergency contact details:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Telephone: _____

Signed: _____