



# Nightingale Primary School

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## Visit to Hillier Gardens Arboretum - Year 1

Dear Parents

To kick start the first topic of the summer term - 'Nature Explorers', we have organised an exciting trip to Hillier Gardens Arboretum near Romsey. This will take place on Thursday 28th April 2022. The children will be involved in some fantastic "hands on" experiences hopefully including;

- Pond dipping
- Habitat investigation
- Mini beast treasure hunts
- Using sweep nets to explore the creatures in the flower meadows



Children will also have the opportunity to tour the beautiful grounds and participate in other activities. It will be a truly wonderful experience for them.

The coach will leave school at 9.15am and return in time for the end of the day. The whole day at Hillier's is spent outdoors. Hopefully, by late April we will be having some warmer drier weather, but due to the increased risk of ticks, children will need both their arms & legs covered so therefore we suggest a school polo shirt and jumper with trousers or leggings. We will confirm nearer the time exactly what is required.

Children will need a packed lunch, including a non-fizzy drink. You can pre-order a school meal from HC3S on the Google form below. A fruit snack will be provided.



We would also love some parent helpers. For safeguarding reasons, all volunteers need to have DBS check through the school. If you would like to help on trips, and do not have a DBS check, please visit our [website](#) for more information. Due to the popularity of these trips, the class teacher will contact you to confirm if you are needed.

The cost of this fabulous trip is £17.00 per child. We believe this experience will be very beneficial to the children's learning. To ensure that these trips can go ahead it is imperative that a contribution is received for every child. The school is not in a position to subsidise pupil visits, as this impacts negatively on other areas of the school budget.

We are requesting that full payment is received prior to the trip taking place and to facilitate this, we have broken your contribution down into three manageable instalments.

Increment	Incremental amount due	Total amount due to date	To reach us no later than
01	£6.00	£6.00	04 February 2022
02	£6.00	£12.00	04 March 2022
03	£5.00	£17.00	08 April 2022

Alternatively, this can be made as a single payment which should reach us no later than 04 March 2022.

This exciting activity will appear on your Scopay account. If you are not already registered for Scopay, please click [here](#) to request an online access code which will be emailed directly to you. We are encouraging all parents to sign up for a Scopay account as this allows you to make payments outside of office hours. However, if you do not wish to pay via Scopay, we are happy to accept cash or a cheque in a sealed envelope, clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

Please complete the form [here](#) indicating your child's participation by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2022 as we are unable to take your child off site without your completed form. As well as medical consent and lunch choice, this form can also be used to indicate your interest in being a parent helper.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Davis, Mrs Stephens and Mrs Watson  
(Year 1 Teachers)