

# BOURNE ABBEY CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY ACADEMY

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Dear Parent/Carer,

## ZooLab - YEAR 1

As part of our 'Oh, What a Wonderful World!' topic, ZooLab Company will be visiting Year 1 on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June 2024** to present their 'Senses and Textures' workshop. This company has visited school before in previous years and has been very popular during SciFest.

Each class in Year 1 will have their own session, where the children get to explore and understand how animals use their senses within their habitats. They will learn about how animals perceive their surroundings and how well their senses are adapted to them. This will support the children's learning in our science curriculum about animals, habitats and senses.

During the session the children will have the opportunity to make hands-on discoveries of textures and senses in an animal handling experience with the expertise of the ZooLab presenter. The animals that may be included in the workshop are: stick insects, a tarantula, a scorpion, a corn snake, giant millipedes, cockroaches, a giant African land snail, a tree frog and a small mammal. These may vary slightly on the day. We will of course ensure strict hand hygiene and safety procedures.

Please ensure that we have up to date allergy information for your child and do please contact your child's class teacher regarding particular phobias or worries that they may have about the visiting animals.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of £5.70 per child towards the cost of the workshop. Please be aware that the sessions will not go ahead without sufficient support. Payment should be made by ParentMail +Pay.

When deciding whether or not to run such an event, consideration has been given to the increased pressure on family finances due to the current economic climate. Please do let us know if you require any additional support in this respect by emailing [BAP.enquiries@abbeyacademies.co.uk](mailto:BAP.enquiries@abbeyacademies.co.uk).

We are all looking forward to an exciting day.

Yours sincerely

*J Bergmann*

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