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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to have booked a trip to Beamish for our Year 4 children. The trip will take place on Thursday 26 November. The children will be leaving school by coach at 9.15am and will return for home time.

As the children will be outside for the visit, it's important that they are dressed suitably for the weather. Children will need to wear their school uniform, and a waterproof coat. Your child will also need a backpack, as they will be carrying their belongings around with them and a water bottle.

During the visit, the children will be in groups so will have the chance to explore all areas of the museum, including: going down the mine; visiting the new 1950s village; exploring an old-fashioned sweetshop; visiting the fair and experiencing life in a Victorian classroom. We will also be taking part in a workshop entitled 'The James White investigation'.

The cost of this visit has been significantly subsidised by the PTFA, who have contributed £400 towards the cost of this trip. In accordance with the 1988 Education Reform Act, we can only ask for a voluntary contribution of £10 to cover the cost of the visit payable via ParentPay. This will be added to ParentPay soon and is payable by Monday 23rd November. The trip includes the cost of the coach, entry into the museum and the workshop. If it is not possible to fund the trip with voluntary contributions then regrettably the trip cannot take place. There is no charge for children who are eligible for Targeted free school meals.

If your child normally has a packed lunch, they must bring their own.

School will provide a packed lunch for children in Class 9 and 10 who usually have school dinners.

***** If you want to supply your own packed lunch, you must inform school by Friday 13 November. Please email school as soon as possible Office@archibaldfirstschool.co.uk *****

As the visit is taking place during the school day a permission slip is not required. However, please ensure that your contact numbers, emergency contact details and child's medical information are up to date with the school office prior to this visit taking place.

Parent volunteers would be appreciated to help us with the trip. If you would like to join us please inform either a member of the year 4 team or the office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Mullick, Mrs McGurk and Mrs Miles