



# Thameside Primary School

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Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January

Dear Parents/Carers

Following the success of last year, on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May we would like to invite the Year 4 children to take part in an overnight camp at the school. The camp will be run by an outside company, The Outdoors People, who will provide tents and all the equipment needed, all you have to provide is a sleeping bag and old clothes.

The camp will begin at **9.30a.m on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May and end at 3.30 p.m. on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. The adventure will begin with the children and staff 'setting up camp'. They will then be given the opportunity to enjoy a range of bush craft activities from building a campfire to completing bush tucker trials!

This year we have been able to subsidise the cost of the camp due to the £150 enrichment fund per class that is provided by the TSA and other fund raising such as drink and biscuit sales and ice pop sales, therefore the total **cost for parents is £80.00** - this includes all the equipment the children will need, a full programme of activities delivered by specialists as well as food and drinks. If you would like further information about the camp, please see the attached powerpoint, we will also be holding an information evening for parents on **Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> February at 6pm** where we will talk through the powerpoint and parents will have the opportunity to ask any further questions. Alternatively, you can email [deputy@thameside.reading.sch.uk](mailto:deputy@thameside.reading.sch.uk).

For parents wishing to pay in instalments the payment option is now open on your ParentPay account, alternatively you can make payment directly into the bank (Sort Code 30-96-96, account number 67341460). Please note that we can no longer accept cheques. In order to secure your child's place we are asking for a deposit of £20 to be paid by **Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March** with the remaining balance payable by **Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** (please see our charging and remissions policy on the website). If you prefer to pay monthly you can pay **£20.00 per month**. Please note that without sufficient support towards the costs, the camp may have to be cancelled.

This is an exciting opportunity for the children and we would like to encourage every Year 4 child to participate, therefore if you are unable to meet the financial costs of the camp please speak to your child's class teacher or email me as soon as possible.

Consent forms for the camp will come via our Evolve system at the beginning of May.

Yours sincerely,

*I Burton & S Cooper*

(Deputy Headteacher) (Earth Team leader)

