



Silsden Primary  
School

17<sup>th</sup> March 2025

**RECEPTION (Jenner, Nightingale, Seacole)**  
**EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO HESKETH FARM**

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our Topic next half term is 'Into the Wild'. We are hoping to take part in lots of outdoor learning, planting seeds, going on bug hunts and finding out about different animals both here and in other countries. As part of this topic we are delighted to inform you that we have arranged a visit to Hesketh Farm on the Bolton Abbey Estate. Our time at Hesketh Farm will allow the children to explore the natural world around them using their senses to describe what they see, hear and feel.

**All children** will be visiting Hesketh Farm on **Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> May**. We will leave school by coach at 9:15am and return by 3:00pm. Please ensure children arrive at 8:45am prompt and are collected at 3:20pm, as normal.

Whilst at the farm we will participate in an exciting, structured programme to allow us to squeeze the most out of the day. It will include: feeding calves, collecting eggs from the coop, a tractor ride and a cuddly encounter with the guinea pigs to name just a few! There is also some time for adventures in the low-level hay maze and free-play in the barn. On the day, we will be provided with an indoor classroom to eat lunch, store our belongings and take shelter in the event of bad weather. You can discover further information on the Hesketh Farm website [www.heskethfarmpark.co.uk](http://www.heskethfarmpark.co.uk)

Children are required to wear their school uniform on the top and their own clothes may be worn on the bottom half e.g. joggers, shorts or leggings. We recommend trainers that are comfortable for walking or wellies in the event of wet weather (no sandals) and a rain coat to keep them dry. In the event of hot weather, please send your child with a named sunhat and apply sun-cream before they arrive at school.

If you would like to order a school packed lunch for your child, please do so by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. If your child normally brings a packed lunch, please make sure all containers are disposable and in a carrier bag. We are a healthy eating school, therefore packed lunches should not contain any sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks.

For this visit to go ahead we are asking for a contribution of £20.00 per child which has been subsidised by school to reduce the cost. This includes coach travel, insurance and centre costs. No individual will be excluded from this visit because of lack of contribution; however, without sufficient funds, the visit will not take place. Please pay and consent via Arbor by Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April. Please note that your child will not be allowed to take part in this trip unless we have received consent.

We kindly ask for any parent volunteers who would like to help out on the visit to let us know via Dojo. We will let you know as soon as we can if you will be needed on the day.

Kind regards,  
Mrs Travers, Miss Law, Mrs Kenyon and the Reception Team