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Dear Parents and Carers

EYFS and KS1 – Fossil Hunting – Aust Beach, South Glos

We will be learning about dinosaurs in Term 6 and have arranged for a trip to Aust Beach on Monday 17th June. We will leave by coach at 9.30am and go to the beach where we will be met by Ed Drewitt who is a Naturalist and Wildlife Detective.

We will have the opportunity to experience a beach very different to the one we visited last year in Weston. Ed will help us to find our own shelly fossils which we can take back to school afterwards. We may also find fossilised teeth, fish scales and poo (coprolites). This is a chance to discover more about life 210 million years ago, what the West Country looked like, and the types of creatures that were living alongside the west's very own dinosaur, the *Thecodontosaurus*. We will even see clues that Bristol was a hot desert a long time ago!

We will have a picnic on the beach and will then be picked up at 1.30pm so we are back in time for the end of the school day. The total cost is £13.70 (£6.85 Pupil Premium). If you have any queries, please call the school office on 01934 822498. The payment needs to be made via ParentPay and we ask that all payments are made by Friday 31st May. Although the cost is voluntary, in reality the trip will not be able to take place unless the costs are met.

Children do not need to bring any money with them.

Children will need:

- to wear their school uniform as normal, but joggers (with school uniform top and jumper) would be ideal
- wellies or old trainers please as the beach is rocky and muddy in places
- Sun-screen, hat or a waterproof coat dependent on the weather
- Packed lunch will be provided by the school. Children must bring a water bottle. **Please let the office know by Monday 3rd June if you will be providing a packed lunch.**
- a rucksack bag to hold their packed lunch, daps/shoes/trainers to change into (if wearing wellies) which they will carry with them.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Kind regards

Mrs Bevan and Mrs Dockerty

