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Dudley Zoo Trip; Wednesday 9th December 2026

Dear Mums, Dads and Carers

We are organising a Christmas trip to Dudley Zoo

Coaches are due to leave Hillwood Road at 9.30 and we will leave the zoo at 2pm. We strongly recommend that your child has the appropriate car/booster seat to travel. Please see the government guidance below.

Weight-based seats

The seat your child can use (and the way they must be restrained in it) depends on their weight.

> Only approved weight-based child car seats can be used in the UK. These have a label showing a capital 'E' in a circle and 'ECE R44'.

You may be able to choose from more than one type of seat in the group for your child's weight.

	Group	Seats
0kg to 10kg	0	Lie-flat or 'lateral' baby carrier, rear-facing baby carrier, or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
0kg to 13kg	0+	Rear-facing baby carrier or rear-facing baby seat using a harness
9kg to 18kg	1	Rear- or forward-facing baby seat using a harness or safety shield
15kg to 25kg	2	Rear- or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield
22kg to 36kg	3	Rear- or forward-facing child car seat (high-backed booster seat or booster cushion) using a seat belt, harness or safety shield

Children are in the full care of parents throughout the trip. Staff will be available to help and support you. Each child will need to be accompanied by a responsible adult. We ask that each adult has no more than 2 children in their care. Due to limited spaces on the coaches, there will be one adult place per child. It may be that we offer additional adult spaces if numbers allow at a later date.

The cost will be £10 per adult and £10per child. If your child is eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium/free school meals there is no charge for the trip. This includes admission to the zoo, a visit to Santa in his grotto and a present for each child. The true cost of the trip is, of course, far more than this but we have

subsidised places to make the day as cost effective as possible for you. Contributions are voluntary, however, if we are not able to raise sufficient funds, we may have no choice but to cancel the trip.

Things you will need to bring with you:

- Bring a picnic/packed lunch/drinks (there is a restaurant if you prefer to buy food)
- Any medication your child needs during the day.

Sunshine, Raindrops and Sunbeams will remain open for children not attending the trip.
Please note that, as per our fees policy, charges for these provisions will still apply even if you and your child/ren attend the trip as these provisions are non-profit making and need to cover their costs.

Everyone who wishes to go on the trip must return the slip below to Reception no later than Wednesday 18th November 2026 in order to reserve your place/s, payment will then be set up on Parent Pay. Seats are offered on a first come, first served basis and won't be confirmed until full payment is made. All payments are non-refundable. Thank you.



Name of adult attending: _____

Name/s of child/ren attending: _____

My child is eligible for Early Years Pupil Premium/free school meals Yes/No

Parent / Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____2026

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