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Monday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2026

**Ancient Technology Centre (Squirrels) – Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2026**

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> October Squirrels will be visiting The Ancient Technology Centre in Cranborne to support our history learning on the Stone Age. The children will take part in a range of exciting activities that will include granary, willow and a textile activity. In addition to this, there will be a fire making demonstration for the children to enjoy. Please note that children from Owls will also be visiting the ATC on this date but will be completing separate activities linked to their focus on the Romans.

We will be travelling by coach and be leaving school at approximately 9.15am and returning by the end of the school day. The children will need to wear old clothes as they will be getting muddy and sturdy shoes. Although we are hoping for dry weather, please ensure that your child has a waterproof coat for the trip. The children will need to bring a rucksack to carry their packed lunch and water bottle. Please remember not to order a hot school meal for this date.

For this trip to take place, we ask for a voluntary contribution of £25 to cover the cost of the coach travel and activities. On the Arbor Parent Portal, please select the 'Activities' tab which will provide details of the 'Squirrels- ATC' which you will need to please complete. Sign-up on Arbor needs to be completed by 2<sup>nd</sup> October at 09:00. If you have any difficulties registering and paying for this trip, please contact the office.

We would welcome offers of help from parents to accompany us on this trip. If you are able to kindly help with the visit, please could you email the school office. We are hoping that some volunteers will also be able to drive themselves. Please could you let us know if this would be possible.

Please do not hesitate to be in contact with myself or the school office if you have any queries regarding this trip. We are looking forward to an enjoyable and memorable day.

Kind regards,

Miss Annels

**Believe & Achieve** "I will show you my faith by my deeds" James 2:18

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