

July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers,

Colchester Zoo

The Health and Social Care/Child Development and Psychology Departments are excited to offer our Year 10 pupils who study these subjects an opportunity to attend Colchester Zoo and get involved with Origins of Evolution, Animal Behavior and the Social Sciences, as well as spending some quality time with the inhabitants of the zoo. The zoo has arranged specific talks which will embed the learning that has already occurred in the classroom to real world practice.

Pupils will be required to wear their school uniform for this visit, the zoo requests school parties are in their school uniform. We are travelling by coach, leaving the school at 08.30am.

The details of the trip are as follows:

Date:	Thursday 09 th October 2025
Venue:	Colchester Zoo
Time of Departure:	8.30am
Time of Return:	16.00hrs
Dress:	School Uniform
Mode of Transport:	Coach
Cost:	£28.00
Additional information:	Any pupils who require medication must ensure that they bring this with them.

This trip will be covered by school insurance and accompanied by members of staff. This trip requires us to pre-purchase transport/tickets to obtain the best price. Therefore, we will be unable to offer a refund unless there are exceptional circumstances in the event of your child being unable to attend the trip.

Payment and Consent:

- **Scopay** is the preferred method of payment: www.scopay.com
- If you have lost your login details, please contact **Pupil Services**. If you have any Scopay queries regarding this trip, please contact Mrs S Bacon (sbacon@rayleighschoolstrust.com).
- For cash or cheque payments, please hand these to **Pupil Services** (cheques payable to *Rayleigh Schools Trust*)
- You must complete the **electronic consent form** attached to the Scopay (bottom right corner of the payment box) before payment can be made
- Consent and payment are required by the **18th July 2025**

If there are any financial difficulties, please contact the Headteacher, Mrs Dines, in the strictest confidence. If you have any queries concerning the trip, please contact me at the school.

Yours Faithfully,

S Cooke

Mrs Cooke

Mrs Wall

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