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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 8 Personal Development Day (PDD) - Saving Simba – Wednesday 1 March 2023

I am pleased to inform you that the next PDD for our Year 8 students will be focused on Big Cats and Conservation - 'Saving Simba', and students will be offered one of two (2) options for the day. Following this day, there will be further activities for the whole year group, led by Ms Stockman-Black, including possible fundraising opportunities and environmental education.

Group 1

Students in this group will spend the first half of the day travelling via coach to Paradise Wildlife Park, to see some big cats in action. Has your child ever fancied trying their hand at wildlife photography? Maybe they are the next David Attenborough. At Paradise Wildlife Park students will be given the opportunity to work with the Media and Art Department staff improving their skills photographing these beautiful creatures. In the afternoon, once back at school we will work with them to build web pages explaining and highlighting the importance of this conservation work.

Group 2

Students in this group will be required to attend school at 10.30am to first spend some time learning about the creation of the Lion King stage show through a documentary which will include introductions to its design and how the show was adapted from the animated film. After lunch we will then travel via coach, into the West End to see the matinee performance of The Lion King. We aim to return from the Lyceum Theatre in London by approximately 6:30pm where students can be collected from the main school car park.

The cost of the trip for **Group 1** will be **£16** with the cost for **Group 2** being **£42**, which will cover the ticket and transport to and from the event. Unfortunately, the school is unable to meet the cost of this trip from its own funds so the visits will only be able to go ahead if parents are prepared to pay a voluntary contribution. Please note, if all parents are not prepared to make the contribution the visit may not be able to take place for any of the students.

If you would like your child to participate in either trip but will experience difficulty in making the contribution then please contact us before signing up to the trip.

The school's method of payment for trips is through your child's 'My Child at School' (**MCaS**) account and payment should be made for your preferred choice only and consent received by no later than **Sunday 11 December 2022**. If you experience any problems in making payment please contact us via email – tripsandvisits@beaumont.school.

Please be reminded to advise us of any changes to the information you have previously provided us with regarding your child's medical condition/allergies information and the emergency contact details for your child. Any additional information or updates should be provided, in writing to the school – admin@beaumont.school.





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Please be advised that due to circumstances we are unable to control there are a limited number of tickets available for each of these trips, and whilst we will try to accommodate everyone's preferred choice, if either of them become oversubscribed and it proves necessary to create a selection process, places will be allocated through a blind lottery. In the event of your child not getting a place on their preferred trip they will automatically be given the other trip and any excess monies paid will of course be returned.

I will issue more information to students in due course but if you have any queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Miss Z Shepherd
Assistant Headteacher

