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Amazon Class- Trip to Cameron Balloons, Bristol Thursday 2nd February 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our 'If You Were an Engineer What Would You Do?' topic this term, we shall be visiting Cameron Balloons in Bristol on Thursday 2nd February. To support the children's learning surrounding the role of an engineer and different engineering processes, we shall be taken on an exclusive guided tour of the Cameron Balloons factory to explore where hot air balloons are designed and constructed. The children will be able to see how the baskets, burners and the hot air balloon envelopes are designed and manufactured, as well as having the opportunity to sit in a basket and test a burner (weather permitting). The final part of our trip will be making simple balloons with lightweight foil, inflating the finished balloons with a hair dryer and flying them inside the factory to teach children the basic principles.

Cameron Balloons was established in 1971 by Don Cameron and is leading the world in the engineering and manufacture of lighter-than-air aircraft and fabric structures, building over 9500 hot air balloons to date. This term it is our aim for the children to explore all sorts of engineering across many different aspects of our world and visiting Cameron Balloons will provide an opportunity to see lots of different areas of engineering in action. Following our class trip, we shall be taking our learning back to the classroom, writing a recount of our experience and using a template to make large model hot air balloons in DT.

We shall be travelling to Cameron Balloons by coach, promptly leaving school at 9:15am. Children should arrive at school at the usual time of 08:50am prompt. We shall be leaving Cameron Balloons around 2pm, to arrive back at school by 3pm. If for any unforeseen reason we are delayed, we shall contact the school office to share this information with adults waiting at school to collect children.

In a small, named rucksack, children will need to bring a packed lunch and a water bottle. No sweets or fizzy drinks please. If you would like the school to provide a packed lunch please can you complete this on the permissions form.

Cameron Balloons are kindly waiving the cost of our visit meaning we are only asking for parents to cover the cost of coach travel. Therefore. The cost of this trip is £11.00 to be paid via ParentPay. We also ask that you complete the online permissions form It is Essential that this form; <https://forms.office.com/e/czQYDLxZMM> is completed by the **20th of January 2023, and payment made by Friday the 27th January 2023.** Should you have any difficulties covering the cost of this trip, please contact the school office.

If your child suffers with travel sickness and they usually take travel sickness medication, please administer this before arriving at school. Should you wish for your child to be given travel sickness medication before the return journey, please bring this named medication in a sealed bag and hand to Mrs Anderson when dropping off your child in the morning.

Should you have any further questions, please get in touch.

Kind regards,
Mrs Anderson

