



IMPORTANT ZOO INFORMATION

Our field trip is fast approaching. The following refers to some important information you need to be aware of before we go.

All kindergarten classes will be going on this field trip together. **All students are to report to school at 8:50.** We will leave school promptly at 9:15. We will arrive back to school by 3:00.

Our entry time for the rainforest is 10:00 so this will be our first stop. After you park, please purchase yours and any sibling tickets that are needed at the box office. **Then meet us under the Rainforest sign.** Do not go to the Rainforest doors. Kindergarten students will be given a paper that has a bar code on it, this covers their admission into the rainforest and zoo. Chaperones will be responsible for holding on to their group's papers. Students will need this bar code to gain entry into the zoo. A head count will be done. Zoo members need to bring their membership card with them. **IMPORTANT: please do not enter the rainforest until your child's teacher gives you the OK.**

You will tour the rainforest at your own pace. We will not tour together as a group. When you are done in the rainforest, you may enter the zoo. Again, you are on your own for touring and lunch.

IMPORTANT:

We will meet as a group at 2:30, outside the main picnic pavilion, which is across from McDonalds and behind the gift shop near the entrance to the zoo. **PLEASE BE ON TIME.** We need to leave the zoo by 2:40 to arrive back to school by 3:00. ALL students are to check in with their teacher upon their arrival back to school following the field trip. If your child does not check in, we will be calling you to find out where you are. You do not need to come into the classroom to check in with your child's teacher. Students are tired at this point and many fall asleep on the way back to school. Parents may simply pull up to the South Entrance (lower parking lot by preschool) where your teacher will check you in. You may then continue on your way. If you are transporting another child, you will drop that child off at the South Entrance as well.

WHAT TO BRING:

Students will need to bring a backpack and a disposable lunch. They will also be bringing a clipboard and pencil from school, as they will be recording information about certain animals in a zoo journal. We will be making our own Safari Snack and bringing a bottle of Swamp Water. All these items are to go inside their backpack.

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ASSIGNMENT WHILE ON THE TRIP:

Students will have a Zoo Journal that they are to complete. They will be using information found at certain enclosures to complete their research about certain animals. Please be sure your child completes each page as you are walking around the rainforest and zoo. This is a fun day to be with family and enjoy the animals, but keep in mind that this is an extension of our classroom and therefore, a hands-on learning experience. Each child is required to turn in their journal the next school day.

REMINDER:

ALL students and chaperones are to begin and end the field trip at Royal Redeemer.

Chaperones may not deviate from the planned-out route from school to the zoo and from the zoo back to school. Drivers may not stop along the route for gas, coffee, snacks, etc. Please have everything you need before arriving to school or leaving the zoo.

Chaperones may not leave the zoo early. We will take attendance at the main picnic pavilion at 2:30.

Chaperones may not drive directly home from the zoo. All chaperones must drive back to Royal Redeemer where you will check in with your child's teacher.

We are looking forward to an educational yet fun day.

