4th November 2016

Dear Parents

As part of this year's curriculum, Bugle School will be taking advantage of the wonderful outdoor environment that Cornwall has to offer. Whilst learning can be interesting and exciting in a classroom, there are many advantages to being outside and experiencing the school curriculum first hand, in its true environment.

On Tuesday 15th/Wednesday 16th November, half of Reception class will be exploring the outdoor environment along the nearby purpose built walking paths through the countryside near Bugle. Activities like this provide a wealth of learning opportunities. The children will be following clues to guide them along a trail where they can experience a variety of rural environments. The walk has been based on *We're Going On A Bear Hunt* by Michael Rosen, which the children will be reading in class. The tasks are designed to stimulate a range of positional language, provide opportunities to develop social and communication skills and inspire imagination.

After the morning register, the day will begin with a 'Follow the clues' trail in which we will use the school minibus to take us a short drive to the start. We will then return to school for a normal lunchtime. After lunch we will once again use the minibus to take us back to a wooded area for some Forest School activities, before returning in time for the end of the school day.

On the day of the trip, your child will need to come to school wearing clothes suitable for taking part in outdoor tasks in wooded areas. We shall be providing wet weather overalls to help keep the children dry. I would suggest that your child also brings a hat and gloves. Wellies will be needed as some of the pathways are muddy. It would be helpful if named Wellies are brought to school in a bag on the morning of the trip.

Unless the school is notified otherwise, we will assume that your child will be attending the trip. If you have any concerns or questions about this day please don't hesitate to contact Mr Spriggs or Miss Hobbs.

Yours sincerely

Mr K Spriggs Year 2 Class Teacher