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Dear Parent,

Think Tank Interactive Science Museum – Friday 15th April 2016

To enhance the children's learning in science this year we will be visiting Thinktank which is an interactive Science Museum for children at Birmingham on Friday 15th April. The visit will include all children in the school and all staff will also be going hence the school will be closed during the school day. The coaches, provided by Fowlers Transport, will be leaving school at 8am and we will return to school at approximately 6pm depending on traffic.

Thinktank is an amazing place with many hands on, interactive activities for the children to have a go at as well as having many informative displays etc. The children will learn many different scientific concepts. All of Wrens and Swallows children will take part in a workshop called Material World where they will learn about materials and their properties and recycling. Owls and Herons children will take part in a workshop called Cauldron Chemistry where they will learn about solids, liquids and gases, and see many amazing experiments. If you would like to find out more about Thinktank please take a look at their fantastic website at www.birminghammuseums.org.uk/thinktank.

The total cost of the visit of £1925, has been covered by donations from local charities who Mrs Jane Spriggs approached on the schools behalf. The charities that have very generously donated are Sutton St Edmund Poor's Charity, South Holland Discretionary Fund (courtesy of Councillor Michael Seymour) and Sutton St James Watson's Charity.

The children will need to wear full school uniform. A packed lunch will be required, together with a snack, to be eaten on arrival – glass bottles and fizzy drinks should not be sent. **Please remember not to order a hot school meal for this day from Country Kitchen.**

Whilst we do appreciate that the children will want to bring things along for the journey it is important that they **do not** bring valuable items such as electronic games - a book or a comic will be sufficient for the journey. **The children must take full responsibility for looking after items which they bring.**

The children **will not** need mobile phones, cameras or money for the visit.

If your child suffers from travel sickness please ensure that you give them the appropriate medication before leaving home and provide medication for the journey home – to be given to your child's class teacher in a clearly labelled envelope with their name, the quantity to be taken, how to be administered (chewed, with water etc) and the time before travelling to be given to the child.

We look forward to, and thank you in advance for your support of this visit. I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the school, staff and all of the children to thank the charities that have made this visit possible and to thank Jane Spriggs for approaching the charities on our behalf to raise the money. I am sure that all of the parents will join me in thanking everybody.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Claire Willows
Headteacher

Thinktank, Birmingham – Friday 15th April 2016

I give permission for my child, _____, to attend
the visit to Thinktank on Friday 15th April 2016.

Signed Parent/Carer

Please provide an up-to-date emergency telephone number for the day of the visit: _____

(Please complete and return this permission slip by **Friday 8th April 2016**)
