



Monday 5th January 2026

Dear Lower School Parents and Carers,

As part of our Creative Arts project this term - answering the question 'Can Art change how we care for The Earth?' - we will be visiting The Sustainability Centre, Petersfield. The children will take part in a carousel of four activities throughout the day, engaging with the natural environment in creative ways.

Due to the size of the Sustainability Centre, they are only able to accommodate one class at a time; therefore, the three classes will be going on different days:

Robins: Monday 9th February 2026

Woodpeckers: Tuesday 10th February 2026

Kingfishers - Wednesday 11th February 2026

Each class will be leaving school promptly at 9am, on their designated day, after registration, travelling by coach. The children will be outside for part of the day, so we ask that they are dressed appropriately with a coat, their school uniform on top and trousers/jogging bottoms/jeans which are suitable for the weather conditions on the day. All pupils will need trainers to wear on the coach and also bring wellies/walking boots to be (kept in a named carrier bag while travelling) for the activities. The children will return to school by 3pm.

The children will need to bring a water bottle and a packed lunch. If your child is entitled to free school dinners, or you would like us to arrange a packed lunch, please complete the form online. Your child will not need any money during the trip. We will return to school before the end of the school day.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution of **£23.50 per student** to cover the costs of the transport and the activities at the centre.



Please note that although this contribution is voluntary, if we do not receive sufficient donations to cover costs, we will not be able to run the trip, or this may impact our ability to run any future trips for lower school this year. If parents would like to contribute more than the requested donation to ensure this trip goes ahead the payment system will allow for this.

To comply with our Charging and Remissions Policy please find a breakdown of these costs at the end of this message.

Payment assistance: If you are unable to contribute the requested amount, please indicate this on the reply slip online and the school office will be happy to discuss possible payment options/assistance.

Parent Volunteers: We have a few spaces for parent volunteers on this trip. If you are an approved Sun Hill Junior School volunteer and would like to help on the day, please complete the section on the online form. Parents will sometimes be in the same groups as their child, but this is not always possible as we must assign a set number of staff and volunteers per group.

Breakdown of costs: The costs attributed to this trip are as follows: Entrance & Activities at The Sustainability Centre = £876.00. Transport cost for 3 coaches = £840.00

Permission and payment: All parent permissions are now taken online through sco-pay. Please login to your child's sco-pay account, find the trip entitled "The Sustainability Centre - Lower School 2026" and complete the required form. If you have not set-up your child's Tucasi Scopay account yet, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Thompson-Hogg, Mrs Ahmed Mrs Bone and Ms Terry.