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Dear Parents,

Thames Class Science Focus - 23rd and 24th January

We always want to provide the best learning opportunities for our children, and to this end, I have organised two science learning trips on the 23rd and the 24th January. Here are the details:

Tuesday 23rd January - 'How animals adapt to their habitats'.

We journey over to Abingdon Boys School, and the biology labs there, to enjoy a science workshop given by the science team. Our session is called, '**How animals adapt to their habitats.**' Our children will be shown a selection of the wide range of animals that live in the Science Centre, including musk turtles, crayfish and Chroma - also the legendary (but grumpy!) chameleon! As a group we will discuss the animals' habitats and adaptations. The class will have the chance to use microscopes and get up close and personal with some smaller creatures, draw their features and apply their knowledge to identify their habitats. There is no charge for this trip and we should be back at 3.15pm for homework.

Wednesday 24th January - Evolve! Adapt! Survive! Natural History Museum, Oxford.

At this workshop we will be able to touch real specimens from elephant teeth and polar bear paws to a huge python skin and gliding lizards! We look at the work of Charles Darwin and examine how the fossil evidence reveals the history of life on our planet. As well as the workshop we will also be taking a self-guided tour of the collection, and in particular, looking at the Dodo, and how and why it became extinct.

We travel by bus on that day, everyone will need a packed lunch and the total cost of transport and session is £6.60 per child.

Two fabulous learning experiences for our children! Please consent in the usual way and your contribution (via School Money) for the Natural History Museum trip will be much appreciated.

As always, be in touch if there are any questions.

Kind regards,

Mr. W