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Dear Parent/Carer,

On Tuesday 30th June, Squirrels Class will be visiting Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, Jermyns Lane, Romsey SO51 0QA <https://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/hilliergardens> We will be focusing on different kinds of art, craft and design activities. We will be developing the children's techniques, including their control and their use of materials, with creativity and experimentation.

We will be travelling to the gardens by coach, <https://www.pewseyvalecoaches.co.uk> We will be leaving school at 9.15am and returning by 3.00pm (traffic permitting).

The staff at the gardens are trained in the use of the site and a trained first aider is always available. As not all risks cannot be removed staff help children learn to recognise dangers like fungi, berries, water, germs, and uneven terrain.

Children should wear their school jumper or cardigan. We ask you to help protect children from stings and bites by sending them with long trousers or leggings, and check for ticks after the visit. While not that common, if you do find a tick, ask your doctor about Lyme disease. If it is raining please ensure your child has a light raincoat.

Please ensure if it is hot children have a sun hat/cap and have applied suncream before the trip. Children should wear sturdy shoes/trainers/wellies (if wet). Please **do not** send your child to school in sandals for this trip.

The children will be outside for most of the day so do expect them to return home a little mucky! Please send a healthy, filling lunch, plus fruit and extra water. Children do not need to bring spending money because we will not spend time in the shop.

The cost of the trip is £9.45 per child, which is payable through your child's school money account. Please do not hesitate to come and see us if this causes you any problems. Please be aware that the trip can only be paid for by debit or credit card, we are unable to accept childcare vouchers as payment for trips.

The coach for this trip is costing £490.00. If you would also like to make a donation toward the cost of the coach, we would be very grateful for your support. Donations can also be made on your school money account. A donation amount has been set at £15.00 however parents are welcome to adjust this amount by clicking into the small box which displays £15.00 and changing the

amount. You can then add the payment to your basket by clicking on the + icon. The children will not need to bring any spending money with them.

Please note that the expectation is that all children follow our school positive behaviour policy. You will be asked to collect your child from the trip if your child does not listen to an adult and does not keep themselves or others safe.

If you would like your child to participate in the visit, please complete the online parental consent form [Squirrels Class - Sir Harold Hillier Gardens 2026 – Fill out form](#) to give your permission for them to attend the trip, plus travel by coach by Tuesday June 16th 2026. If you have any questions about the trip, please contact Mrs Hillier (jhillier@newtontony.wilts.sch.uk).

Kind regards
Mrs Hillier
Squirrels Teacher

'Love One Another As I Have Loved You' John 15:12

