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Dear Parents / Carers,

Year 1 – School visit from Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital – Wednesday 8th February 2023

As you are aware, we have the most wonderful grounds which are teeming with wildlife here at Springwood. In Science this term, Year 1 will be learning to appreciate how these grounds and other locations provide habitats for many animals.

To inspire the children's curiosity, further develop their general knowledge and encourage a love of British wildlife, we are delighted to inform you that Year 1 will be receiving an educational visit from the staff of Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital which is based in Sidlesham in West Sussex.



This wildlife Hospital admits injured, sick, or orphaned patients direct from the public, from the RSPCA, or from local vets who have pre-assessed patients as needing wildlife care, recuperation and rehabilitation facilities.

Their animal care staff and volunteers undertake this important work with care, compassion and commitment to patient welfare with the aim of responsibly releasing patients back to the wild once they are fit and healthy. In addition they answer thousands of phone calls annually from the public to give advice on wildlife welfare.

They receive no government funding and depend entirely on the generosity of our supporters, donors, fund-raising activities, partnership with businesses, and grant applications.

The staff of Brent Lodge have generously offered to visit Springwood for **no cost** but have requested instead that we collect donations from their 'Wish List' which will help them continue looking after the animals in their care (please find Wish List attached for reference).

On their behalf, we would be extremely grateful if you could drop of any donations in the box which will be placed in Year 1 from 30th January 2023. Whether you are able to donate a tin of food or just old newspapers, the charity have assured me everything is valued and will make such an important difference to the good work they do.

Thanking you for your anticipated support.

Gill Bryant
Deputy Head Teacher



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