

4<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parents,

**4B Trip to Big Pit Mine Museum – Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019**

Each year I like to organise an outing for 4B. This year's trip will be to the Big Pit Mine Museum in Blaenafon on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June, 2019.

Big Pit was a real coal mine and is now one of Britain's leading mining museums. With facilities to educate and entertain all ages, Big Pit is an exciting and informative day out. We will participate in one of the underground tours where we will be lowered 90 metres (300 feet) down the Big Pit mineshaft - a captivating journey around a section of original underground workings. Visitors wear the very same equipment – helmet, cap lamp, belt, battery and 'self rescuer' – used by miners. Once underground, we will be guided (a 50-minute walk) around the coal faces, engine houses and stables in the company of a former coal miner. The guide will explain the different ways in which coal was mined and transported, and share some of his own experiences. We will then explore the rest of the museum, including the exhibition, miners' locker room and pit head baths.

Your child will need to wear home clothes (including trainers and a warm top for the underground tour which can be cold), bring a waterproof coat, sun hat and sun cream, lunch, snacks, a drink and a day sack to carry everything in.

The cost for this trip is £6.50 to cover transport costs and the underground tour. Your child will also need some money for an ice cream and a souvenir; I suggest no more than £10.00.

We will leave from outside school at 9am and return at approximately 5.00pm.

Please complete the Firefly form via the following link  
<https://herefordcs.fireflycloud.net/letters-to-parents/4b-trip-to-big-pit-mine-museum---saturday-22nd-june-2019> by Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June. I will use the medical forms held by the school for the trip but if there are any alterations or updates needed, please contact the School Nurse as soon as possible.

Yours sincerely,

Ian Barber