



Ready, Respectful, Resilient
Headteacher: Mrs T Price BA (Hons) MA Ed

17th March 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 5 Walk to Biddulph Grange Gardens

As part of our Easter rewards, we are pleased to inform you that Year 5 will be visiting Biddulph Grange Gardens. This visit is intended to celebrate the pupils' hard work and positive behavior this term, while also providing a valuable learning opportunity. During the visit, pupils will be able to make links to their previous topic work about Biddulph and learn more about the history of James Bateman, who designed and developed the gardens in the 19th Century. Exploring the gardens will help bring their learning to life by allowing them to see firsthand how Bateman's ideas and interests shaped the different areas of the gardens.

The visit will run on Friday 27th March 2026. We will be leaving school at around 10:30am and returning for the end of the school day. Pupils will be accompanied by school staff for the length of the visit and we will lead them on tours whilst at Biddulph Grange Gardens.

All children will need to bring a packed lunch with them to eat in the picnic areas available on site. If your child is in receipt of free school meals and wish to order one from school, you will need to order a packed lunch by emailing hdalgleish@jamesbateman.staffs.sch.uk (please put GRANGE in the subject) stating your choice of Ham, Cheese or Tuna. A lunch can also be ordered at a cost of £2.85 for pupils wishing to purchase from school. **All lunches must be ordered by Monday 23rd March.**

We will be walking both there and back, and therefore it is vital that pupils are wearing warm, waterproof footwear and outerwear. They can wear their school PE kit or suitable sportswear that they will be comfortable in. Pupils should also ensure that they have a suitable bag to carry their belongings in for the duration of the visit.

If the weather on the day is poor, then the visit to Biddulph Grange Gardens will unfortunately not go ahead. In this case, the pupils will remain in school and will take part in our planned back-up reward activity so that the pupils can still enjoy celebrating their efforts this term.

Behaviour and attendance will be closely monitored prior to the trip. Should a pupil's behaviour or attendance cause us concern then their place on the trip may be challenged. We will keep you informed if this is the case. Any pupil who has over 20 behaviour points leading up to the trip will not be able to attend.

If there are any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards

S. Fletcher

Year 5 Progress Leader