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Dear parent/guardian,

Class 4 pupils will be visiting Bangor-on-Dee racecourse on Friday 10th February to take part in the Racing to School education programme.

Racing to School events take place at racecourses all across Great Britain; the unique racing setting offers inclusive, outdoor learning and provides many opportunities for pupils to explore key skills. From the core subjects of maths, literacy and science to art and design; the materials and activities we have developed have been designed with the guidance of teachers and aim to support and enhance pupils' studies of their school subjects in a practical way and apply them to real life situations.

Throughout the morning pupils will engage in a variety of fun learning activities around the race-course.

These include using their measuring and maths skills in the Paddock where they have to calculate how many horses can safely parade at any one time; the Weighing Room draws on numeracy skills, as they explore the effect of weight on performance, and out on the track the focus switches to race distances, the use of metric and imperial measurements and the geometry in construction of the hurdles and fences.

Then after lunch, pupils have the opportunity to watch a race or two to see the practical application of what they have learnt.

At no point does the Itinerary address the subject of betting and children will not be taken in the vicinity of where the Bookmaker's will be operating.

Racing to School are a charitable organisation and provide the activities free of charge, school will be offering a donation and school are covering the cost of transport.

Pupils will leave school at 9:15 and will return back to school ready for normal school home time. Transport will be provided by Lakeside coaches.

Your child will need to bring:

- A packed lunch. All other resources for the pupils and break time refreshments will be provided.
- Children should wear normal school uniform with a suitable warm / waterproof coat.
- Change of footwear such as wellies / boots / old trainers, as some of the activities will be outside including on the racecourse, which even on a nice day is likely to be wet underfoot.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

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Mr R.E. Shepherd