



## Urmston Grammar School

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Monday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2026

### Chester Zoo Science Discovery trip – Year 7 – Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> June

Dear Parents/ Guardian,

We would like to invite your child on a Science discovery trip to Chester Zoo to help with their learning for the year 7 Science unit entitled '*Evolution & Adaptation*'.

The trip will run within school hours and is being implemented as part of an independent learning experience that will develop students' personal learning and thinking skills as well as their scientific understanding and investigative skills. Students will remain in small groups (approx. 13 students) throughout the day, each group will be accompanied by a teacher for the entire day.

We would like to ask for a contribution of £29 to cover transport costs (by coach) and the cost of entry into Chester Zoo.

**Pupils are asked to arrive at school at normal time and attend registration in the Canteen at 8:30.** The coaches will leave no later than 8:45am and return to school at the Moorside Road entrance by approximately 3.30pm. Please arrange for your child to be collected from school at the later time of 3.30pm in case of any traffic issues arising.

Please ensure your child has:

- a packed lunch and drinks for the day.
- a small amount of pocket money to buy drinks and/or additional food.

Students are permitted to wear their own clothing. Please make sure these are appropriate for a day outside, including comfortable footwear and a **raincoat**.

Students will complete some research activities whilst at the Zoo and will need a pen and pencil. It is advised that pupils bring a small rucksack/shoulder bag to carry lunch and their belongings. Students are permitted to bring cameras or a mobile phone. Cameras or mobile phones used to take photographs for their project are brought on the trip at the owner's risk.

To sign up your son/daughter for this trip please make payment through ParentPay by **Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June 2026**. By making payment you are agreeing to Urmston Grammar School's [Trip Payment Agreement](#). There is no charge for students who qualify for Pupil Premium funding.

If your child is an annual pass holder of Chester Zoo, please contact Mrs Hoyle on [rhoyle@urmstongrammar.org.uk](mailto:rhoyle@urmstongrammar.org.uk)

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Hoyle  
KS3 Science Coordinator

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