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Dear Parents and Carers,

**Geography Prime VR experience and Everest Author Visit: Friday 26th January 2024 (Author visit)
/ Thursday 8th February 2024 (Prime VR experience)**

We are delighted to share with you two exciting opportunities within your child's geography curriculum, which also links to their reading and English text too.

In year 6, the children are learning about Everest and Nepal within their reading, writing and geography curriculum. To be able to enrich this unit, we are thrilled to be able to bring this topic to life by welcoming Prime VR into school on **Thursday 8th February** to create an immersive experience for the children using virtual reality headsets. This 30 minute workshop aims to: 'Transport the class to see the tallest mountain on Earth, Mount Everest. The students will have the chance to visit base camp, one of the most popular trekking routes in the Himalayas, as well as Gokyo Village, a settlement which lies 4,750m above sea level. VR is a great way of putting mountains into perspective and really helps students to understand scale and landscape.

Alongside this, we're also delighted to say that on **Friday 26th January** the Everest author, Alexandra Stewart, is able to visit the year 6 cohort. She will talk about the inspiration for her book and the story of climbing Everest. This was a huge success last year and we look forward to welcoming her back to enrich this learning journey.

To cover the cost of these in school visits, we would be grateful if you would make a contribution of **£4.85** via your child's Arbor account by **Thursday 25th January**. In addition to this, in order for your child to be able to take part in the Prime VR experience, please read and complete [this Google Consent Form](#) also by **Thursday 1st February** – without a completed consent form your child will unfortunately not be able to take part in the workshop.

*(Please note, it is recommended that pupils with epilepsy or pupils who are prone to seizures consult with their doctor before using a VR headset. If your child has epilepsy, is prone to seizures or may not be able to use a VR headset, please consult with a doctor and inform the School Office **before** signing the consent form as an alternative device can be provided for accessing this workshop).*

We thank you for your support and very much look forward to providing our year 6 children with this exciting experience again.

Yours sincerely,

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Year 5 and Geography leader