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**Science – Heart Dissection**

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> October, children will have the opportunity to dissect a lamb’s heart. This is part of the science objective, ‘identify and name the main parts of the human circulatory system, and describe the functions of the heart, blood vessels and blood’. This will enhance our science curriculum, bring anatomy to life and provide a unique learning experience for children.

In the lesson, we will investigate:

- The function of the heart and how to keep it healthy
- Circulation of blood through the heart and lungs
- The anatomy of the heart and the roles of the different parts
- How to dissect a lambs heart safely and identify the main structures
- Diseases of the heart and how surgeons can repair defects such as holes in the heart

The lesson will run in a clinical manner: children will be given gloves and an apron to protect their clothing.

As this opportunity is only to enhance our curriculum and is not a statutory requirement, children may opt out of this lesson if they feel they are not able to complete the activity. In this time, they will be in a different classroom, learning about the heart in a different manner.

Please can you complete the reply slip below to give permission for your child to take part and return the slip before Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September to allow us to order enough lamb’s heart for one between two children. If you would like to opt out your child, (or your child would like to opt out) please ensure that you return the slip below so that we are aware of this.

Any concerns, please see your child’s class teacher or myself.

Yours sincerely

*Harfield*

Miss T Harfield  
Year 6 Leader

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**Year 6 Science - Heart Dissection**

I give consent for my child to carry out the heart dissection.

I wish to opt out my child from the heart dissection.

Child’s Name .....

Class .....

Signed .....

Date .....

(Person with parental responsibility)

**To be returned by Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019**

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