

11th November 2024

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Consent for accessing learning on the FAWrient Express

As you are undoubtedly already aware, the renovation of a vintage train carriage into a coffee shop on our Loose site is now complete! This comes following the initial craning in of the carriage, extensive renovation works, installation of industry standard equipment and final access and accessible adaptations. We are delighted that the FAWrient Express is now open to the community and this can be used by our pupils as a way of developing important life skills, whether this be accessing the community, or preparing for work.

As part of this, your child will be invited to access learning aboard the FAWrient Express. All learning will be planned for, with pupils following individualised learning programmes. Although based on the Loose site, the FAWrient Express is a separate facility that will be run as a business. This means that it will be open to the public.

We envisage pupils accessing the train in one of the following ways:

- As a customer, developing social and independence skills
- To develop foundation employment and independence skills
- To develop employability skills in preparation for life after Five Acre Wood

All sessions will be carefully planned and risk assessed. If you have any further queries about how your child will be involved in accessing this learning opportunity, please contact your child's class teacher in the first instance.

Please complete the form linked below to give your consent for your child to access their learning on the FAWrient Express:

<https://forms.office.com/e/t4ECMWifmM>

We look forward to being able to welcome pupils aboard the train as part of this exciting innovation project.

Kind regards,

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