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Dear Parents and Carers

Animal Man visit

I am delighted to inform you that on Tuesday 21st March 2023 we have Simon Airey from Corner Exotics coming to talk to year 7 and a very small number of other students. This is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn about conservation, biodiversity and how animals live and adapt to their environments. At the same time offering students a chance to step outside their comfort zone and touch, hold, or just view creatures that they don't usually have the opportunity to get close to.

All of the creatures are used to being handled. In the past when he has visited some lucky students have had the opportunity to hold snakes, lizards, insects, scorpions, hedgehogs, a chinchilla and even tarantulas. We are excited to see what he will bring this time!

We have booked a company that we have used several times before and has proven incredibly popular with staff and students alike. Simon is very professional and holds the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge in recognition not just of the benefits that he brings in enriching the curriculum but also his approach to health and safety.

If you would like more information about the company please see the website here:
www.cornerexotics.co.uk.

If you have any concerns or queries please email gemma.tillotson@oldburyacademy.org.uk. If your child has an allergy that could be exacerbated, for example an allergy to fur, please ensure you make us aware by emailing or calling on 0121 533 3750.

Yours faithfully



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