

## Archdiocese of Birmingham St. Mary's Catholic Academy

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Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January 2024
Dear Parents/Carers,
As part of Year 6 'Animals' topic we have arranged for PrimeVR to come and deliver a virtual reality workshop in school on Thursday $8^{th}$ February. We think this is a fantastic opportunity for our pupils and will help to bring their topic to life.
(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 online, so that an alternative device can be provided for accessing this workshop).
More details regarding this virtual reality workshop are included on the next page.  Please read through this before completing your consent online.
We are asking for a contribution of £4.00 towards the cost of the workshop.
Please log into your Scopay account to make payment and to give consent for the trip.
Thank you for your continued support.
Kind regards,
Mr Spencer Class Teacher

PrimeVR has been delivering workshops using virtual reality since 2017. You can see what schools, teachers and parents think of our workshops by checking out our reviews on Google and Trustpilot. Our workshops have been specifically designed for schools to help bring learning to life and they are delivered by an experienced member of the PrimeVR team in a controlled and supervised environment.

During our workshops, we implement the following safety measures:

- A full safety briefing is delivered at the start of every workshop and VR usage will be supervised by an
  adult at all times. A safety video will also be shared with every class prior to our arrival.
- Pupils share one headset between two and only use VR for a maximum of 15 minutes during our workshops (split up into 1-2 minute segments). In between using a VR headset, we engage pupils by asking questions, creating discussion and by setting mini activities.
- All VR headsets are controlled by a central iPad/tablet which allows a member of the PrimeVR team to deliver specific educational content.
- Pupils will always be required to sit down whilst using a VR headset.
- All headsets are cleaned using Clinell Universal wipes in between classes.
- Please note, an iPad/tablet can be provided as an alternative device for anyone who doesn't want to use a
   VR headset during their workshop.

We use Pico G2 4K VR headsets during our workshops. You can find out more information about this headset, including any safety guidelines, by visiting <a href="https://www.picoxr.com/">https://www.picoxr.com/</a>. We believe the additional measures we've put in place, alongside adult supervision, provides a safe environment for all pupils in KS2 to use VR for short periods of time for educational purposes only. If you have any further questions about anything, please don't hesitate to contact us at <a href="info@primevr.co.uk">info@primevr.co.uk</a>. Please note, if you do not want your child to use a VR headset, please inform the school and we will be able to provide an iPad/tablet as an alternative device for accessing our workshops.