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Dear John

Expenditure of remaining part of 2019 grant

I'm writing to bring you up to date with the Springhead Trust's final use of the remaining £1000 from our grant of £2070 awarded in June 2019 which was intended to enable us to subsidise the cost of disadvantaged children attending a residential school visit in the year following our grant.

I'm pleased to say that the grant has now been fully spent on two day trips for pupils from Bincombe Valley Primary School – which still has a very high proportion of disadvantaged children in receipt of pupil premium funding - in line with the proposal set out in my letter of 9 June 2021.

As you know from previous correspondence, we had been unable to spend the grant exactly as planned because residential school trips were not allowed to go ahead due to the pandemic. Even though restrictions on residential visits have now been lifted, schools and parents are struggling financially and are still being cautious about Covid-19. Bincombe Valley opted for two long day trips instead, and these took place at the end of June when 44 children and 4 staff members attended.

The activities they took part in were orienteering with pictures, visiting and drinking from Springhead's natural springs, den building, a nature and fossil walk, pond dipping, racing paper boats down our stream and a barbeque. They even had a 'dormitory experience' as they weren't sleeping at Springhead, but were allowed to get changed and have free time in the dormitories with their friends - which they loved.

As explained in my previous letter, the cost of the transport was very high which meant the total cost to the school for the two long days was around £3,000 so we used the grant to reduce the school's costs by £1000.

Thank you very much for allowing us to delay expenditure of the grant.

With best wishes

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