



Whiteknights

Growing Greatness

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Dear Parents and Carers

Final details for residential trip to Rhos-y-Gwaliau

We hope your child is looking forward to the residential trip. We have included some information below which we hope is useful. If you have any further questions, please contact the school office.

Travel Arrangements

Sunday 15th December 2024

Please can pupils:

- Arrive at school at **8.30am**, wearing suitable clothing for their first activity (tracksuit bottoms and sweatshirt/fleece – no jeans please);
- Enter the hall through the Breakfast Club/After School Club entrance (on the driveway) for registration, dropping off medication (please ensure you have filled out the necessary form otherwise we will not be able to take the medicine) etc.;
- Please leave children's main luggage outside the school hall under the covered area;
- Say your goodbyes to the children in the hall when they are asked to make their way to their classroom on instruction by the teacher. Parents at this stage remain in the hall;
- Once all children have left the hall we kindly ask that parents wait on the driveway to wave the children off.

Please provide your child with a healthy snack and packed lunch for the journey, together with a water bottle in a suitable plastic container. This is all that is to be provided as the centre will provide all other meals and snacks throughout the week. We ask for your co-operation in ensuring that pupils do not bring any other food or drink items on the trip.

For any pupils requiring travel sickness tablets for the outward journey, please administer these before their arrival at school. If you wish your child to receive medication for the return journey, please follow instructions in the medicine section below.

If you are dropping off or collecting your child by car, we request that parents please park considerately on the Fairlawn Green area to allow for the coach to enter and exit the premises with no issues.

Thursday 19th December 2024

We are due to arrive back **at 3:30pm**. You will receive a text message just before 1.00pm about the expected time of arrival. If there are any changes after that, you will be notified via our Twitter account. Please check this before you plan your collection trip.

Luggage

Please ensure that your child can carry their own luggage. Besides their main luggage, a small bag/rucksack will be needed for the coach to contain a packed lunch and a water bottle. Your child may also like to bring suitable items for passing the time on the long journey to North Wales (books, note pad and pencil, travel games). Your child will be responsible for these items.



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Please note that neither mobile phones nor electronic devices can be brought on the trip.

Important Equipment

The children will have the chance to take part in a range of activities, such as a mine exploration, canoeing, gorge walking and swimming. You should already have a copy of the kit list. If not, please collect one from the school office.

Medicine

We can only give your child medicine if you have provided it and included a signed permission slip with your instructions for administering. Please collect the relevant form from the school office if required.

If medicine needs to be handed over on the morning of departure, please let the office know in advance.

Pocket Money

There is a small shop at the centre, so children may bring a **maximum of £10** in a named wallet if they wish.

Additionally, Hoodies and T-Shirts are available to purchase for the following prices:

Children's Hoodies - £20.00

Adult Hoodies – £25.00

Children's T-shirts - £10.00

Adult T-Shirt - £15.00

Should your child wish to purchase one of these items, please supply this money in a separate envelope in addition to that of the £10.00 spending money.

Please make sure this is handed to staff before departure.

Electronic devices

We cannot allow pupils to take any electronic devices with them. This includes mobile phones or any hand-held gaming devices. Each member of staff will have the use of a school camera for the week. We will take photos of pupils participating in activities and put them onto a disk for parents who wish to purchase this. Only pupils with **photographic permission** will feature in photographs captured on the trip. We will only be able to share those photos on Twitter and include your child's image on the CD for parents if we hold the relevant permissions. If you need to make any changes to the permissions we hold, please contact the school office before the trip. There is no need to bring a camera.



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Communication

Although we ask children not to bring electronic devices, we appreciate that they may want to keep in touch with home. You may wish to provide one or more stamped addressed envelopes, writing paper and stationery (school pencil cases would be ideal) for your child so that they can write home during their time away.

Please make sure your contact details are up to date with the school, particularly for the period when we are away. It is important that we have emergency contact details for you.

If you would like to write to your child while they are away the address is:

RYG Outdoor Education Centre
Rhos y Gwaliau
Bala
Gwynedd
LL23 7ET

Telephone calls can upset pupils, so we would appreciate it if you did not phone the centre. Please make any contact through the school. Likewise, the children are not allowed to phone home or to take a mobile phone on the visit.

We will communicate with parents via the school Twitter account. If you do not follow us yet, our account handle is @WokinghamKnight. Photos of the activities will be posted regularly, giving you a flavour of what has taken place each day.

Which members of staff will be going on the trip?

Mrs Why, Mrs Neville, Miss Barlow, Mrs Gleave, and Miss Beasley will be joining pupils on the trip.

If you have any further questions about the trip, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Year 6 Teachers