



Cookridge Primary School

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Year 6 Residential – Bushcraft Company @ Castle Howard

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are thrilled that you have given permission for your child to attend the Year 6 residential to Castle Howard that will be taking place from **Wednesday 7th June 2023 to Friday 9th June 2023**. As we are nearing the date, I have prepared a small pack of information that you may find useful whilst preparing for the residential. I have outlined some of the key areas in the following letter; however, if you have any questions about any aspects of the visit, please feel free to get in touch via a phone call or by emailing info@cookridge.leeds.sch.uk

Payment

Please continue to ensure you pay off the cost of the residential in the coming weeks. If you have any questions about payment, please contact us using the above details.

Medication

If your child requires any medication that they would usually take at home, it is vital that this is brought in a sealed clear bag and clearly labelled. You will also need to fill in the medication form that is attached at the back of this letter and bring that with your child on the day of departure. The form and medication should then be given to one of the staff members attending first thing in the morning on that day. This includes any inhalers. If the form is not completed, we will not be able to administer any medication.

Parental Consent

You will need to complete the Parental Consent Form attached (E1) in this pack and return this to school as soon as possible. The details you provide will remain completely confidential, but are essential for the health and safety of your child. Please fill in and return pages 3 and 4. You should keep pages 1 and 2 at home for your reference. **Your child will not be able to attend unless this form is returned.** If you have concerns about this, please contact us via the channels stated above.

In addition to this form, there is a Bushcraft Company medical and dietary requirement for that also needs to be filled in. This form must be returned as soon as possible so we can inform them of any dietary requirements. Please note that dietary requirements is not food that children do not like, it is for informing them of allergy type conditions.

Money

Children do not need to bring any money. There is nowhere for them to buy anything.

Clothing

Attached behind this letter is a recommended kit list that the Bushcraft Company has provided. We would always recommend looking at the weather forecast and packing accordingly. You will see from the list of suggested items to bring that your child **will not** need any special clothes or equipment. You do not need to purchase brand new clothing. Your child will have to carry their bags with them to the coach and to their tent. Please have this in mind when packing their bag as over-sized and very heavy bags will make it difficult for them to do this. Please ensure your child has a sleeping bag.

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No electronics of any type are permitted on the trip. This includes items such as mobile phones, digital cameras, smart watches and hair dryers. School staff will be taking plenty of pictures of the visit and these will be put on the website upon our return. You may feel that your child taking their mobile phone may help them if they are feeling home sick; however, this actually has the opposite effect. If we have any concerns about a child, we will contact the school (or Mrs Hunter if out of school hours) and get in contact with you. This is something that has not happened on any of our previous residential. I will also be in contact with the school daily providing them with an update.

Dropping Off and Pick Up

Your child should arrive at school as normal on Wednesday 7th June and your child should enter the top school gate as they have done so far this year. On Friday 9th June, you should collect your child from the top school gate at their designated time as normal. If your child has permission to walk alone, we still ask that on this day you collect them to help them with their bag on the journey home. If we are going to be late back to school, we will communicate this with school who will then contact you to provide an update.

We are extremely excited for the trip and hope your children are too. We know that our pupils are going to thrive with the adventure and challenge that awaits them.

Please do not hesitate to get in contact with me if you have any questions between now and the visit.

Yours Sincerely,

Mr N Kershaw

Assistant Headteacher

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