



26th May 2022

Year 6 Residential Trip – June 2023

Dear Year 5 Parents/Carers,

Each year our Year 6 children are given the opportunity to participate in a residential visit. The residential offers a lovely end of Year 6 experience off site in an outdoor setting.

I recently sent a survey asking for parent's opinions on two different options for our next residential visit as the hike in prices is making the cost of this trip very expensive. I wanted to gain your feedback on costs and preferences. The results from this survey have indicated that parents would prefer a 5-day residential trip.

Therefore, we have booked an activity course at PGL Liddington from Monday 12th June 2023 to Friday 16th June 2023.

PGL Liddington is a modern centre set in 150 acres with landscaped lakes ideal for water activities. Liddington offers 20 different activities for the children to undertake throughout their stay.

Activities available include: Climbing, Abseiling, Canoeing, Giant Swing, Orienteering, Raft Building, Zip Wire to name a few. Evening activities also take place for the children to enjoy.

The total cost of the visit to PGL is £479.00 and includes, coach costs, full board accommodation, activities, equipment and achievement certificates.

We will hold a Parents' Evening to discuss the visit later in the year. This will give you the opportunity to find out more details and to have any queries answered.

There will be a further meeting held in the Spring Term 2023 to discuss arrangements for the trip, you will meet the staff accompanying your child/children and you will receive further information on what to pack and discuss medical requirements etc.

To book a place for your child on this trip, an initial (non-refundable) deposit of £50.00 needs to be paid via the Gateway. At present, there are only 50 places available so booking is on a first come, first serve basis. As the centre is very popular, it does fill up quickly so if more than 50 children wish to attend we need to know as soon as possible as the likelihood is we will not be able to add to our booking. It also means we have implications with coach costs which will have an impact on the total cost of the trip.





Deposits need to be paid as soon as possible to secure your child's place. By paying this deposit, you are committing to pay the full cost of the trip.

The total balance of the trip will need to be paid by 30th May 2023. Once your initial deposit has been made you will be able to make regular payments on The Gateway. We expect you to make regular payments each month and not to leave the full payment until the deadline. We send out regular communications to remind you about payments along the way.

We strongly encourage you to pay little and often throughout the year, you will be surprised by how quickly the payment will be made by doing this. I understand that we are all in a position where finances are difficult at the moment due to the pandemic and everything that we have all been through in the past year. If you are having difficulties in paying along the way, we would prefer you to come in and speak with us as soon as possible. I do understand that it can be difficult to talk about financial matters but we are here to help and can work out manageable payment plans etc. All conversations will be treated in the strictest of confidence. If you do not want to speak face to face, you can email me via sbm@oakhill-aspirations.org

As the school have to pay the full balance of the trip up front we need to receive payments regularly. Please see the below payment schedule, clearly stating the date that each instalment must be paid by, with no exceptions.

<u>Date Payment must be paid by</u>	<u>Amount paid towards final balance</u>
ASAP – to secure a place	£50.00 deposit
23 rd July 2022	£121.50
30 th September 2022	£193.00
30 th November 2022	£264.50
31 st January 2023	£336.00
31 st March 2023	£407.50
31 st May 2023	£479.00

For further information about the trip, the activities and the centre please visit the website: <https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/adventure-holidays/centres/liddington> and you will be able to see for yourself how worthwhile and enjoyable this trip will be.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs R Thomson
School Business Manager

