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Dear Parents

Residential Visit to PGL Boreatton Park 2017

The children are all looking forward to going to the PGL Centre on 26th June and I wanted to take this opportunity to finalise a few details.

Departure and Return

The coaches will leave school on Monday 26th June at approximately 10.00am.

The children will need a snack, in a plastic bag rather than a lunchbox (please do not include sweets, fizzy drinks or glass bottles). No eating or drinking is allowed on the coach. It would be a good idea for your child to have something to amuse themselves with on the journey e.g. a puzzle book (no electrical items).

Children should come to school at the usual time on Monday in sensible, casual clothing. Please bring all bags (labelled and named) to the Drama Hall on arrival.

If your child has a sickness bug within 48 hours of the visit to PGL, the centre asks that you keep your child at home, since contagious infections spread very quickly in a residential centre; this obviously also applies to parents and staff taking part in the visit. A full refund will be given in these circumstances. I hope that none of us will be in that position!

We aim to arrive back at school on Friday 30th June at approximately 7.15pm. Please make arrangements to either meet your child or otherwise ensure their safe transfer home.

At the Centre

In addition to the three hot meals served daily, drinks and snacks are provided at regular intervals throughout the day. A small supply of healthy snacks may be sent with your child, but remember fizzy drinks and sweets are not acceptable.

The children may take a small amount of pocket money. I would suggest that £5.00 is enough in small change. The children are encouraged not to use the vending machines on site as water and juice is readily available and we discourage the children from eating too many ice creams.

For safety, I would further suggest that pocket money is kept in a named bag/purse/wallet (including our school name). Although we encourage children to be responsible for their own pocket money, they may ask a member of staff to look after it for them if they wish.

Suggested Clothing/Kit

Could you please remember that the children do have to carry their own bags – please keep packing to a minimum. Luggage space on the coach may also be restricted so please limit bags/ holdalls to one per person, plus a travel bag to be kept with them on the coach, containing activities and their lunch. Please label these with your child's name and HCMS.



I have attached a packing list. Please remember that clothes and shoes get very dirty and sometimes wet. I recommend children bring old, comfortable clothing for day wear and a spare, dry set of clothes and shoes. It is advisable to bring some trousers which are not jeans as they become heavy and uncomfortable when wet. It is suggested that a plastic bag/bin liner is packed to place soiled clothes in.

PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL ITEMS OF SHOES AND CLOTHING ARE CLEARLY NAMED.

What not to Bring!

Please do not allow your child to pack any of the following items:

- Mobile phones (contact with parents is not allowed by the Centre)
- Expensive cameras
- Electronic games or personal stereos, MP3 players, iPods etc.
- Expensive or much-cherished jewellery
- Expensive or favourite clothing or shoes
- Sweets, chocolate or fizzy drinks

Sleeping Arrangements

Children will sleep in dormitory accommodation and will be provided with fresh linen under sheet but they will need to bring a pillow, pillow case and a sleeping bag.

Children from Horringer Court will not be expected to share rooms with children from another school. I will let the children know their dormitory allocation when they are available.

Emergencies

In an emergency, please contact the Headteacher, Mrs Johnson, during school hours:

01284 755626

Out of school hours, please contact the PGL Boreatton Park on:

Telephone: 01939 260551

Further Information

All medication must be clearly labelled and in a sealed waterproof container. Ms Higgins will be the teacher in charge of medicines for the pupils. Do not forget, if your child suffers from travel sickness please send in the appropriate tablets with them.



Swimming

During our visit there the pupils may have a session in the swimming pool at the centre or water based activities. This will be confirmed nearer the time of the trip.

The attached forms and slip below must be returned to school as soon as possible, so that if required any information with regard to diets or allergies can be forwarded to the Centre. If any details change before the visit takes place but after the forms are submitted, please notify me in writing as soon as possible.

Every year I am proud to receive compliments from the staff at the centre about the behaviour of our pupils. The usual expectations of consideration, respect and following instructions will be expected. I have no doubt that they will make us all proud again. In the unusual situation that a pupil does not comply with this we will call you and expect you to come and fetch your child from the centre.

There will be an information evening on **Tuesday 23rd May at 6.00pm** have further information will be provided and your questions answered. I look forward to seeing you then.

Yours sincerely

Ms D Higgins
Visit Leader

PGL Boreatton Park 2017 – Swimming Ability

Pupils Name: Class:

My child is a: Non-swimmer Weak swimmer Competent swimmer

Signed Parent/Carer

