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26th February 2025

Y6 Residential to Wilderness Outdoor Centre, Durham Dales – Wednesday 16th July – Friday 18th July 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

For our Year 6 residential this year, the children will be going to Wilderness Outdoor Education Camp for an exciting 'back to basics' wilderness experience. We would like to invite our Year 6 pupils to attend a three-day, two night, educational residential to Wilderness Outdoor Centre, which AALA registered, run by qualified outdoor instructors. The trip will include activities, food and accommodation (safari tent). All activities will be confirmed nearer the time. For more information on the Outdoor Centre, you can follow the link here:

The Best School Residential Imaginable - The Wilderness Company
(https://www.thewildernessco.co.uk/schoolresidentials.html)

The total cost of the trip will be £255. This is based on a group size of 50 children. In order to confirm this booking we will need a non-refundable deposit of **£50 per child by Friday 28th March 2025.**

Payment
Payments should be made using ParentPay. If you have not registered with ParentPay for payment of lunches and trips please contact the school office for details. Following the initial non-refundable deposit of £50, interim payments will be required as follows:

Interim payments on or before:

- **£75 by 29th April 2025**
- **£75 by 30th May 2025**
- **£55 by 27th June 2025**

Total: £255

If you would like to organise a different payment schedule, please contact the school office.

Charging and Remissions Policy
As part of our charging and remissions policy, we can offer assistance to families who are in receipt of free school meals or other related benefits or those who are in financial difficulty (see Charging and Remissions Policy) . If you think you are eligible for this assistance, please contact the school office to make an appointment to speak to Mrs Wahed. Payment should be made through ParentPay by **Tuesday 25th March 2025.** If you are unable to access ParentPay, please speak to the school office who can provide you with a login or a letter to take to a local PayPoint.

Safety and Supervision
Your children will be supervised by school staff throughout the visit. Staff ratios will be in line with DfE guidelines. All activities will be led by the Wilderness staff who are qualified instructors.

Pupils will be expected to operate within the school's Behaviour Policy throughout the visit. Children unable to comply with this may be returned to school.

Please be aware that any child that has had a fixed term exclusion, or any repeated unsafe behaviour, may not be allowed to go and the non-refundable deposit will have been paid to Wilderness Outdoor Education Centre.

A parents meeting will take place nearer the time, and we will provide more information as the full details of the trip are confirmed. This will be our third visit to the camp so staff are familiar with it's procedures and know it is a fantastic residential. Please don't hesitate to contact Miss Riley or Mr Lacey if you need any further information before then.

If you would like your child to be included in this trip, please complete the reply slip and return it to school by Fri**day 28th March 2025**, confirming the deposit payment on ParentPay.

Yours sincerely

Miss Riley and Mr Lacey

Year 6 Teachers

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Year 6 residential trip to Wilderness Outdoor Centre, 16th-18th July 2025

Name of child ..... Class .....

I would like my child to be included in the residential trip to Wilderness in July 2025 ☐

I confirm I will pay by ParentPay a non-refundable deposit of **£50 by Friday 28th March 2025** ☐

I understand that my child will be expected to follow instructions properly and behave appropriately throughout the visit.

I understand that if my child has a fixed term exclusion, or repeated unsafe behaviour, before the residential they may not be able to attend.

I confirm that I have parental responsibility for this child ☐

Name .....(parent/carer) Date.....