



The Firs

Lower School

Dear Parents/Carers,

3rd July, 2018

Learning with Adventure in the Outdoors Residential Trip at Grafham Water Centre, Huntington

We invited you last Thursday to an informative evening regarding our annual residential trip for our year 4 children. Every year 4 child will have the exciting opportunity to experience a 3 day (2 nights) residential trip to Grafham Water Centre. This will take place on Wednesday 20th March – Friday 22nd March 2019. This will be the 12th year that we have taken our year 4 children on a residential trip and our 11th visit to Grafham Water Centre.

The residential trip will be led by a team of experienced, qualified and caring instructors, who will ensure that the correct risk assessments/safety procedures are followed, so that the children enjoy their activities safely. In addition, there will be school staff on duty twenty-four hours a day, to ensure the children are happy and that everything is running smoothly. The children will also be surrounded by their friends, which will no doubt, give them further confidence.

The year 4 group that took part in the trip last year thoroughly enjoyed themselves and came away with so many memorable experiences of their 3 days at the centre. We feel that the trip will enrich your child’s learning and equip them with new skills and therefore, we certainly feel that it warrants all the hard work that we have put into organising it.

The cost of the trip is **£192** which includes, coach with seatbelts, 2 nights’ accommodation including 3 cooked meals per day with 3 days of fun packed activities. A minimum deposit of £42 is to be paid by the 14th September, **via ParentPay from 3rd September**. The remaining balance can be paid by instalments or paid in full,

1st Instalment due by Friday 14th September	£42.00 DEPOSIT
2nd Instalment due by Friday 12th October	£30.00
3rd Instalment due by Friday 9th November	£30.00
4th Instalment due by Friday 7th December	£30.00
5th Instalment due by Friday 11th January	£30.00
Final instalment due by Friday 8th February	£30.00

‘Residential trips fall outside the provision made for educational outings and visits and schools can require payment from parents for attendance on residential trips. The school will assist parents who are in genuine financial difficulties and such cases will be rated on merit but all parents will be requested to make some financial contribution to the trip. If parents are unwilling to make a financial contribution the school may have to regretfully consider withdrawing attendance for that child’. This extract is from our Charging, Remissions and Lettings Policy.

Yours sincerely,

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