



The Firs

Lower School

Dear Parents/Carers,

15th October 2020

Learning with Adventure in the Outdoors Two Day Activity Trip at Grafham Water Centre, Huntingdon

In these difficult circumstances, it will sadly not be possible to organise a residential visit to Grafham Water but we are very pleased that we can convert the experience into two day visits that will ensure Y4 children can get the considerable benefits of participating in the main activities of the visit.

The visits will take place on Thursday 18th March and Friday 19th March 2021. This will be the 12th year that we have taken our Y4 children on such an experience and our 11th visit to the Grafham Water Centre.

The two days of activities 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 present with each group throughout each 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.

To get a feel for the type of activities that the children will experience on their trip to Grafham, please click on the links below. One will take you to a video that the Grafham centre has created, the other will take you to a Firs Photo Gallery, from our last visit to Grafham

[Grafham Water Centre Video](#)

[The Firs Lower School, Grafham Photo Gallery](#)

The year 4 group that took part in the trip last time thoroughly enjoyed themselves and came away with so many memorable experiences of the centre. We feel that the trips 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 always put into organising it.

The cost for this experience is **£105** which includes a coach (with seatbelts) each day, per year group bubble and 2 days of fun packed activities.

A minimum deposit of £30 is to be paid by Monday 2nd November 2020, via ParentPay, the remaining balance can be paid by instalments or paid in full. If the remaining balance is to be made in one lump sum at a later date, please inform us when you pay the deposit, however full and final payment must be received no later than the last instalment date of Friday 1st February 2021.

1st Instalment due by Monday 2nd November 2020	£30.00 DEPOSIT
2nd Instalment due by Monday 30th November 2020	£25.00
3rd Instalment due by Monday 4th January 2021	£25.00
4th Instalment due by Friday 1st February 2021	£25.00

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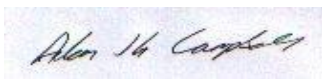


Despite the variation needed this year, the visits will still be run according to the statutory conditions for a 'residential visit' and therefore will fall outside the scope of the 1988 Education Reform Act. This means that if a parent wishes for their child to take part in the experience, then the school can require payment for a child to attend.

The school is not in a position to subsidise this trip for pupils who wish to attend, so all parents, who would like their children to attend, will be required to pay. If a pupil is in receipt of pupil premium and in genuine financial difficulties, please contact the school office or your class teachers. Such cases will be addressed on merit, depending on individual family circumstances.

Children who do not attend this trip will be required to attend school as normal.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink on a light blue background. The signature reads "Adam J.G. Campbell" in a cursive script.

Adam J.G Campbell (Headteacher)