

Wednesday 3rd April 2019

Dear Parents / Carers

In preparation for our residential trip to Standon Bowers next week, we held a meeting with the children to prepare them for their adventure. Below are some of the key points we discussed:

1. Arriving at school and getting on the bus. Children will arrive at school as normal wearing clothes ready for their first activity of the day and carrying their suitcase. Parents are more than welcome to wave the children off, although it will be from the road outside the school rather than in the school. All children with medical issues have been assigned a designated adult and have been told to sit either next to, in front or behind them on the bus. They will be with these adults throughout the visit to ensure they know exactly who to speak to if they have an issue.
2. Arrival at Standon Bowers - Upon arrival the children will be shown the grounds, first aid points, out-of-bounds areas and where to go if there is a fire alarm. They have also been told that, in the case of a fire, they are to stay with their group leader and not move to any other group.
3. Activities - We discussed the exciting activities that the children will experience (time table attached below)
4. Meal times - (lunch menu attached) - children choose what they are going to eat for meal times in the morning, eliminating the issue of children worrying throughout the day.
5. Foot wear - Three pairs advised - indoor shoes (slippers/clean trainers) outdoor shoes suitable for climbing (trainers) and wellies or walking boots.
6. Snacks - Children are allowed to bring snacks if they choose, although food containing nuts are strictly prohibited due to allergies. These will be kept in the classroom and not the dorms.
7. Tuck money - Children are allowed tuck money to spend - we have asked for a £5 limit. When arriving at school in the morning, can all money be handed in (in named wallets/purses) to Mrs Clifford to store. This will help avoid upset if children misplace them.
8. In the dorms - During the night, the children will be in two group dorms, boys and girls. Our staff are in rooms situated next to them. If there are any issues in the night, the children are easily able to get to the staff if needed.
9. Contacting parents - During the day and night if there are any issues/emergencies, our staff or Standon Bowers staff will contact you directly - Please keep all phones switched on.

Behaviour - Our expectations of children's behaviour will be just as high at the residential as it is at school. If children are spoken to about their behaviour, and we would have normally spoken to parents at school, then we will be contacted parents to inform them. If their behaviour continues, or they are unsafe and affecting the residential trip for other children, parents will be contacted and asked to collect the children. There will be no refund for this eventuality. However, in the nine years I have been going, I have never had to contact parents for behavioural reasons.

Hopefully this is informative and answers any questions you or child has. If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs Clifford.

Mr Carter and Mrs Clifford

MONDAY	Morning 10am – 11:45am	Arrive & Settle In Tour of the Centre			STAFF
	11:45-12:30pm	Photo Trail – All groups			
	Afternoon 1:45pm – 5pm	Archery - JC Blindfold Trail - JC	Blindfold Trail - ZW Archery - ZW	Low Ropes – EC/NS Team Games – EC/NS	
	Evening 7:00pm – 8:30pm	Campfire – All groups			

TUESDAY	Morning 9:30am – 12:30pm	Caving - JC Bridge Building - JC	Bridge Building - ZW Caving - ZW	Bouldering – EC/NS Archery - EC/NS	STAFF
	Afternoon 1:45pm – 5pm	Grounds Maps - JC Bouldering - JC	Bouldering - ZW Grounds Maps - ZW	Caving Bridge Building EC/NS	
	Evening 7:00pm – 8:30pm	Night Walk – JC+ZW		Night Walk - EC/NS	

WEDNESDAY	Morning 9:30am – 12:30	Low Ropes - JC Team Games - JC	Team Games - ZW Low Ropes - ZW	Blindfold Trail – EC/NS Grounds Maps – EC/NS	
	Afternoon 1:30pm – 2pm	Scavenger Bingo – All groups Farewell Presentation – All groups Depart 2.00 pm			

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
breakfast	Hash Brown, Baked Beans and Scrambled Eggs (v)	Bacon, Scrambled Eggs and Potato Waffles	Spaghetti Hoops, Omelette and Staffordshire Sausage	Hash Brown, Bacon and Plum Tomatoes	Scrambled Egg, Staffordshire Sausage and Baked Beans
	Also available - Cereals, Tea Cakes, Scotch Pancakes Toast and Crumpets with Butter, Marmalade & Jam, Tea, Pure Fruit Juice, Milk, Yoghurt and Fresh Fruit				
Lunch	Selection of Sandwiches or Baps, Crisps, Piece of Fruit, Biscuit or Homemade Tray Bake and a Cold Drink				
Dinner	Pork Sausage with Mashed Potato, Gravy and a Yorkie Quorn Sausage with Mash Potato and Gravy (v) Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings	Pasta King with a choice of Toppings Vegetable Bolognese & Garlic Bread (v) Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings	Chicken Pie with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Quorn Fillet Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy (v) Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings	Fish Fingers with Potato Wedges Cheese and Tomato Pizza (v) Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings	
Vegetables	Carrots, Peas & Mixed Salad	Peas, Sweetcorn & Mixed Salad	Carrots, Broccoli & Mixed Salad	House Slaw, Sweetcorn & Mixed Salad	
Dessert	Chocolate Crunch with Fresh Custard	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Apple Crumble with Fresh Custard	Warm Jam Sponge	
	A choice of Jelly, Mousse or Fresh Fruit will be available as an alternative to the dessert				
Extras	Hot Chocolate and Biscuits				
	(v) Vegetarian				