

Dear Year 5 and 6, and parents,
Wooooo Hoooooo!
We are off on our residential on Tuesday!

I thought it might be helpful for you to have a reminder of what is happening on Tuesday, and what you will need to take.

Come to Peter Herd's for an 8.30am departure.

Main luggage will be put in the boot of the bus. Give your pocket money (max £5) in a named purse to Mrs Lloyd, and any medicines to Mrs Parris. She will make sure that we have clear instructions about dosage and timings. You have a form attached to this letter if you have indicated that you need medication. It will save time if you fill it in before you come on Tuesday.

Put anything you need for the day into your rucksack. You will not be opening your main bag until just before tea time.

Your rucksack must include – packed lunch, snacks and water bottle and drinks. It is a really good idea to take a plastic box for your lunch, so that when you are making and carrying your own sandwiches/lunch, it doesn't get squashed in your rucksack. I have remembered that last time, Mrs Davis and I thought it would be a really good idea for each of you to take some snack/cereal bars for extra snacks, as we did a lot of walking, and the energy levels can droop!

VERY IMPORTANT – WE HAVE SERIOUS NUT ALLERGIES IN TWO OF OUR CHILDREN. BE ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THAT ANY SWEETS, SNACKS OR OTHER FOOD PRODUCTS DO NOT CONTAIN NUTS AT ALL!

The forecast at this stage is mixed for our stay, so be sure to have both waterproofs and sun cream/hat in your rucksack.

Wear comfy shoes for walking. Walking boots are ideal, or comfy old trainers. You may need to change into your wellies when we get there, so put them in a carrier bag separately, but write your name on the bag and in your wellies. Bring a peg for clipping them together too. That makes it much easier to find your pair, rather than just your left boot...or right boot.

Wear t shirt, sweat shirt and shorts or joggers/leggings. Layers are key to staying comfy and warm or cool, as necessary. Please do not bring jeans. If they get wet, they are very uncomfortable to walk in, and they will be impossible to get dry.

I have put the original kit list on the reverse of this letter to remind you, but in addition, I think you might like to take a torch, and a woolly hat and maybe even gloves, and a scarf, as we will be out in the dark, stargazing, as well as having a campfire and toasting marshmallows, and I want to be sure you are warm. If you have waterproof trousers, I suggest you bring them too. But don't worry if you haven't got them – wellies will be perfect.

If you get bitten by insects, you might want to take insect repellent if you usually use it.

If you or your parents have any questions about any of this, please email me over the weekend.

Have a lovely long weekend!
Mrs T.

Kit list

- Plenty of socks, including over ankle length
- 2 fleeces/sweatshirts/hoodies
- 2 T-shirts
- 2 long sleeved T-shirts/base layers
- 2 pairs of old trousers/joggers/leggings (not jeans)
- shorts
- old pair of trainers for wet activities
- slippers/similar for indoors
- Waterproof jacket
- Waterproof trousers if you have them
- Walking boots and wellies
- Hat and gloves, maybe scarf
- Sun hat and sunscreen
- Towel and basic toiletries
- Labelled plastic bags / bin liners (for wet items)
- Pocket money – no more than £5 – in a named purse or similar
- Rucksack
- Teddy or similar
- Book
- Small game
- Sweets/marshmallows for the campfire if you would like. Remember the point about nut allergy. NB don't bring sweets 'for you and all your friends,' as that will be far too many!