

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Year 5 Parents

**Year 5 Residential to High Ashurst Outdoor Education Centre - 08 Nov 2018 - 09 Nov 2018**

This year we have arranged a one-night residential for Year 5 at High Ashurst Outdoor Education Centre.

*"High Ashurst Outdoor Education Centre is set in 56 acres of woodland on Box Hill, near Dorking, in the tranquil Surrey Hills 'Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty'. The site has a colourful history with records dating back to 1706. Today High Ashurst is a wonderful wide-open space for learning and self-discovery in the natural environment."*

This trip will give children the opportunity to learn new skills and have fun with their friends, to grow in independence and confidence and to learn to get on with others. The activities are designed to give everyone maximum participation and enable them to improve, whatever their level of ability. The school always find that such experiences are enormously beneficial for the children's personal development and provide a unique opportunity to explore fields of interest not encountered in the classroom.

To keep costs to a minimum, we are asking parents to arrange their own transport to and from High Ashurst. Children will need to be dropped off between 09:15 and 09:30 on Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November and collected between 14:30 and 14:35 on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November. Each child will also need to bring their own packed lunch for the first day.

Accommodation is provided in 2 log cabins on site. Each room has a private bathroom (sink, shower, toilet) and normally accommodates 4 children. Adults from PCPS will stay in private rooms across the 2 cabins. Bedding and clean bed linen is provided. Children will be expected to make and strip their own beds. The site is self-contained and secure, ideal for school visits.



## Outline Itinerary

### Thursday

Morning	Children and PCPS adults arrive. Challenge course with instructors.
Lunchtime	Packed lunches on site (children will need to be provided with their own lunches please).
Afternoon	Climbing course with instructors.
Evening Meal	Provided.
Evening Activity	To be advised.

### Friday

Breakfast	Provided.
Morning	High Ropes and other challenges with instructors.
Lunchtime	Packed lunch provided.
Afternoon	Pack up/reflection. Parents collect children from site.

I do hope as many children as possible will be able to join this experience. If your child has specific needs, such as physical needs or dietary requirements, I will be happy to discuss how these can be accommodated.

If all Year 5 children are able to attend, the cost of the trip will be £85.00. If fewer than 28 children are able to attend, the cost may increase, and we will contact you again. If uptake is too low, the trip will have to be cancelled as it will become too expensive. Deposits would be refunded.

This trip is for Year 5 only. Please complete the slip and return it to the office with a deposit of £25.00 by Tuesday morning, 9th October as we need to confirm our booking with High Ashurst by close of business on Tuesday. Once our booking has been confirmed, we will set up a payment plan. Should we not get enough participants, the trip will not be able to go ahead and deposits will be refunded.

There is lots more information available at <<https://www.surreyoutdoorlearning.uk/facilities/high-ashurst>>. If you have any further questions about the trip please contact me via the school office. There will be a brief information session for parents at 3.30pm on Monday 15th October.

Despite the short notice, I do hope your child will be able to attend. Please return the completed form promptly.

Best wishes

*Mr White*

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Child's name:			
Parent's name:			
1.) I would like to register my child for a place on the High Ashurst Outdoor Education Centre Residential Visit. I enclose a £25.00 deposit which I understand is non-refundable unless the trip is cancelled.			
2.) I do not want my child to attend this residential.			Yes/No
Parent's signature:		Date:	/ /

Please return this form along with your deposit by this Tuesday 9th October. Thank you.