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Dear Parents/Carers

12th March 2021

Residential trips

As you may be aware, we currently offer residential trips to our year 5 and year 6 children.

These visits are incredibly worthwhile for the children both from a curriculum viewpoint and from a personal and social viewpoint. The children always return from our residential visits more independent, confident and socially aware, they are invaluable.

Several years ago, we changed the organisation and format of the residential visits in order to make better use of the educational and social opportunities they offer for the children. Last October our year 5 and year 6 children should have travelled together to Malham Cove, near Skipton in North Yorkshire, which would have provided a wealth of opportunities for geographical study and outdoor pursuits. Unfortunately, due to the Covid restrictions the trip was unable to go ahead as planned.

Next academic year we are planning to take the year 5 and 6 children (current year 4 and year 5) to Bawdsey Manor, Suffolk to the PGL centre. We have sought advice from the local authority's educational visits coordinator and they feel confident that we can go ahead and plan a trip for this time. We have also ensured that written into the terms and conditions of the booking is a clause to enable the cancellation/rescheduling of the trip should any national restrictions be in place at that time, without any loss of money paid by yourselves.

This is a beautiful part of the country which provides a wealth of opportunities for outdoor pursuits. The residential trip will take place from **Monday 27th September to Friday 1st October 2021.**

We intend to hold a virtual meeting on Teams on **Tuesday 30th March at 6:00p.m.** to provide an outline of the trip, details of activities, accommodation and costings and payment details. Following the meeting we will then require parents to commit to their child participating in the residential visit.

We would strongly advise all parents to attend so that they can make an informed decision about whether their child would like to go on the residential.

Please click on the link below to inform us if you would like to attend the virtual meeting. **This link will close on Thursday 25th March 2021 at 11:00p.m.**

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=5nlksNQgT0a8OjzIPpuTyr4fSiuNAgdlrZm8AcZvB4RUN0hRQkg2Rjc4MjQzRTFNN0VMUzFFRVYyWS4u>

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting.

Yours sincerely,

D. Pilsworth
Headteacher

