

Wednesday 4th June 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

**Residential trip Monday 30th June – Wednesday 2nd July 2025**

We are writing in regards to our exciting Year 3 & 4 Residential trip this year.

**Where are we going?**

We will be visiting Cobnor Activities Centre Trust in Chichester. We have chosen this site as it has fantastic facilities but remains local to school.

**What will we do?**

There is a range of activities including: aeroball, orienteering, paddle boarding, sailing, archery and climbing. We have been allocated a timetable of varied activities outlined in our schedule and this will be shared with the children upon arrival. The days are packed with fun things to do including activity sessions in the morning and afternoon and one session after dinner.

We will endeavour to take a vast number of photographs and send a daily email home containing snapshots from each day.

**Where will we sleep?**

We will be sleeping in 'The Log Cabin', which we will have exclusive use of and will be self-contained and secure. Within the building there are toilet and shower facilities, a full commercial kitchen and a dining hall. The rooms are divided into girls and boys dormitories with staff sleeping at either end of the corridor.

Nearer the time, the children will be asked for a list of friends that they would be comfortable sharing with and we will do our best to put them in rooms with someone from their list of friends.

**What will we need to pack?**

Children will need to bring a single duvet cover and a pillow case – Cobnor will provide, duvet, pillows and a bottom sheet. A packing list is attached to this letter. The type of clothing needed will be old clothes that can be worn in the woods to get mucky and muddy. Please ensure every item is clearly named. Children may not bring any electrical items at all, other than a torch.

**What will we eat?**

Meals will need to be pre-ordered in advance. You must select your child's meal choices using the medical and meal choices form by **Monday 16th June**. All allergies, intolerances and special diets will be catered for.

Breakfast: All children will have access to cereal, toast, fruit and a cooked breakfast.

Lunch: For your child, you will pre-order a packed lunch, including a roll, crisps, fruit and a chocolate biscuit bar. The choices of filling will be ham, cheese, jam, tuna or plain.

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Dinner: For your child, you will pre-order a hot meal for dinner from two choices.

#### **How will we get there?**

In the face of rising costs, we have chosen to use a local centre to avoid paying extra for transport. We request that parents provide their own transport by bringing their children to the centre or by making arrangements with other parents. There will also be limited space available in staff members' cars. If you cannot make arrangements with another parent, please email the office directly to request a space in a staff car.

Please drop off your child off **at the centre at 10:30am on Monday 30th June**. Staff will be waiting in the car park. You do not need to go to school before this drop off, we will register your child when they arrive at the centre. Please see below the address of the centre:

Cobnor Point, Chidham, Chichester, West Sussex PO18 8TE

Please collect your child **from the centre at 1:30pm on Wednesday 2nd July**. You will not need to go back to school after this. If you are arranging for another parent to collect your child, please email the office directly so we have written permission for this.

#### **Is it possible to visit for the day and not stay overnight?**

This is not an option on this trip. A key part of the experience is staying away from home and having extended time with friends outside of the school day.

#### **Which adults will attend the residential?**

Mrs Kelsey, Miss Jameson and Mrs Harper have all volunteered to attend the trip and will be staying in attendance for the duration of the trip.

#### **How can I help my child prepare for this adventure?**

Talk positively about the experience and how much fun they will have. Remind them that they will be away with their friends and adults that they know and trust. In the unlikely event of them not feeling well, parents are close by and will be contacted. If they have not yet slept away from home for a night, discuss with them who a trusted friend or family member is that could be asked to have them stay for the night before we head away. A first sleepover is a big step, the run up to the residential is a great time to make this happen.

#### **What will the children who don't attend do?**

For those children who do not attend, provision will be made for them in school.

#### **Parent Meeting**

We are holding a parents' information meeting on **Thursday 19th June at 4:30pm** to talk through this information further and answer any questions you may have.

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Stay safe, Be Respectful and Always Try Your Best.



### Medical needs

All centre staff are fully first aid trained and Mrs Harper is also a designated school first aider. Please use the form below to advise us of any medical needs, especially if your child receives regular medication outside of school times.

This medical and meal choices form must be completed by Monday 16th June.

<https://forms.office.com/e/hHsnpHWTYy>

### Kit List

Please see the pages below for a comprehensive kit list to help you and your child pack.

Yours sincerely,

Miss Jameson and Mrs Kelsey

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## Recommended Kit List

Here is our kit list for everyone taking part in land and water-based activities at the Centre. We will provide all the safety equipment, from harnesses and helmets to wetsuits and buoyancy aids.

Everyday kit list:	Packed?
Change of warm clothes	✓
Water bottle	
Sun cream and hat or gloves and hat – weather dependent	
Swimming costume and T-shirt	
Towel	
Spare old trainers or similar, to get wet (not crocs, flip flops or open toe sandals)	
Any logbook or qualifications you have gained	
Personal medical supplies (please ensure these are detailed on your consent form)	
Long-sleeved tops (see 'What to wear for what')	
Comfortable trousers (e.g. tracksuit bottoms - not jeans) or shorts to the knees	
Packed lunch	
Waterproof coat and trousers	

If you are coming on a residential trip, you will also need:	Packed?
Packed lunch for your first day	
Enough changes of clothes for the duration of the visit and spares with comfortable trousers and jumpers	
Accommodation Blocks: A single duvet cover and a pillow case – CACT will provide, duvet, pillows and bottom sheet	
Camping : Camp matt, sleeping bag and pillow	
Spare underwear	
Night wear and wash bag (don't forget your toothbrush!)	
Two towels	
Bin bag for wet/muddy clothes	
Torch	
Books and playing cards etc.	
Waterproof coat and trousers	