



Waterbeach Community Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers of our Year 5 children,

I am writing to you to let you know about our exciting optional extra to our curriculum for our year 5 children. The last eighteen months have made us realise that children gain so much from activities beyond home and school. The lockdown situation has restricted this for them in so many ways. We have decided to offer a short residential trip to our Year 5 children, in the form of an adventure holiday at Grafham Water, for 2 nights.

We have booked Grafham Water for our year 5 children for Wednesday 27th to Friday 29th April 2022. This letter is to give you the details of the visit and what you will need to do to book your child onto this trip.

The price is £241 which includes transport, meals, accommodation and all the activities in the centre. Grafham is an excellent centre with qualified coaches who work well with all children. In past years, we have used Grafham for our Year 6 residential but as we are hoping to continue to take them further afield, we believe that it will be great experience for our year 5 children. They will be able to go on high ropes, water activities and some fabulous team building games.

We understand that this is an expensive and unexpected cost. School can use part of the pupil premium funding to support families of children who are entitled (please ask for details), but we do not have funds to pay for all children. This visit is an optional extra to our everyday curriculum and so, as such, it is parents' choice as to whether to send the children. If your child does not take part in the visit there will, of course, be alternative provision within school.

PAYMENT DETAILS

A deposit of £50.00 is required to secure your child place in the first instance by 30th September, a second payment of £90.00 by 5th November, £51.00 by 28th January and the final payment of £50.00 by 11th March. Please pay on Pay360 (SIMS PAY).

As a Head teacher, I have witnessed the positive effect that residential holidays can have on children – giving them confidence to try new things and to be away from home. I usually join the children on all residential visits and know that children usually love these adventures. I also believe that with everything that our children have had to manage recently, it is a reward that they deserve. However, I do understand that it is expensive. We will make every effort to help parents to pay in instalments where needed. Please just ask if you would like your child to attend but will find it difficult to pay the full amount at once.

Yours sincerely

Miss Jane Green
Head teacher



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