



10th October 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

RESIDENTIAL VISIT FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS 18th - 22nd SEPTEMBER 2017

In Year 6 the children have the opportunity to attend the Year 6 Residential to the United Kingdom Sailing Association (UKSA) on the Isle of Wight. This residential allows the children to experience a range of activities that are not easily available locally. UKSA are able to offer us a Multi-Activity Programme which may include: Dragon Boating, Raft Building, Kayaking and Windsurfing. The key aim of the week is to build water-confidence, independence and teambuilding skills

Itinerary

An example Multi-Activity Itinerary is shown below:

Date	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	Travel to UKSA: coach to Portsmouth then crossing the Solent on a private ferry direct to UKSA	Welcome and tour of site, issue of safety equipment, safety briefing, Water confidence team games	Kayak games in our on-site indoor pool
Tuesday	Kayaking on the River Medina	Dinghy sailing or dragon boating	Beach games
Wednesday	Windsurfing at Thorness	Multihull sailing	Evening Activities
Thursday	Dinghy sailing on the Solent	Keel boating	Disco Fever
Friday	Raft Building	Return home, crossing the Solent on a private ferry, then coach back to school	

A quote from the UKSA web-site: *“Our Multi-Activity programme enables a wide range of sports to be sampled to see what inspires different members of your group.”* All of the sessions can be adjusted to be as challenging or relaxed as we wish, and the above programme can be tailored to our requirements to allow our children to experience a range of different activities.

Accommodation

The children will be staying in UKSA's on-site accommodation which has monitored security for peace of mind. They will have full use of all facilities, including the heated indoor pool, and all meals are provided.

Approximate Costings

Accommodation, meals and activities at UKSA with qualified and experienced staff and full insurance:	£348
Cost of the coach per child:	£17
TOTAL cost per child:	£365

The above figures are expected amounts but may be subject to change. Please be assured that there will be no other costs involved.

Under current legislation relating to residential visits, schools are not permitted to insist on a direct charge, except for the board and lodging element of the trip. It is a requirement of the law that the remainder of the costs are covered by voluntary contributions. I have to explain that should you decide not to contribute to the rest of the costs, the law states that your child should still be entitled to take part in the visit. However, in reality, the School Governors wish to make it clear that the visit will have to be cancelled if parents are reluctant to support it, as there are no alternative sources of funding.

UKSA require a deposit to confirm the booking, so to assist me with planning this residential trip, please would you look carefully at the options on the attached sheet and respond by **Monday 24th October 2016**.

Please note:

We do offer the opportunity to pay for the cost of the visit by instalments, which helps with budgeting throughout the year. Payment using this method helps to avoid any anxieties about settling accounts as deadline dates approach. This will be available both direct to the school and through the PMX (Parentmail) system.

I would ask for families who are in receipt of Income Support or Income Based Job Seekers' Allowance to please indicate this on the response slip and they will be contacted in confidence to discuss the matter in due course.

Yours sincerely,

Adam Samson
Headteacher

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Please tick one box only

I would like my child to join the above visit and agree to make a voluntary contribution through one of the following arrangements:

1.	I enclose/have paid by PMX £65.00 as an initial deposit (non refundable) and agree to pay the balance in full by Monday 26th June 2017 . (Deposit will be returned if the visit is cancelled)		
2.	I enclose/have paid by PMX £65.00 as an initial deposit (non refundable) and agree to pay the balance in instalments as detailed below. (Deposit will be returned if the visit is cancelled)		
	<u>Instalments are then due on:</u>		
	Monday 23rd January 2017		£50
	Monday 20th February 2017		£50
	Monday 20th March 2017		£50
	Monday 24th April 2017		£50
	Monday 22nd May 2017		£50
	Monday 26th June 2017		£50
3.	I am in receipt of: Universal Credit, Income support ,Income based Jobseekers Allowance, Support under the VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999, Child Tax Credit (providing that Working Tax Credit is not also received and the family income does not exceed £16,190 -Financial year 2013/14), the guarantee element of State Pension Credit or an income related employment and support allowance.		
Name of Child:			Class:
Signed:			Date:

Please return this reply slip to school, together with any deposit, by Monday 24th October 2016. (Cheques to be made payable to 'Godalming Junior School - Journey Account')