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Dear Parents/Carers of Year 6

Year 6 Residential Trip to Tile Barn Outdoor Centre 10th – 14th June 2024



We are pleased to confirm that we have been able to arrange a residential trip for our Y6 children from the 10th – 14th June 2024.

As many of you may know, in the past, we have visited Blackland Farm activity centre; however we were advised last year that they were no longer taking bookings and were subject to a possible closure. This meant that we had to look elsewhere along with many other schools in West Sussex and the surrounding area.

After a comprehensive search and a site visit; we were able to secure the “Tile Barn Outdoor Centre” located in Brockenhurst. The centre is in a beautiful setting against the backdrop of the beautiful New Forest National Park. It offers a variety of activities, good accommodation and freshly prepared meals.

The trip will take place from the Monday 10th June 2024 – Friday 14th June 2024. There will be a parents meeting to provide more information about this trip. Please also refer to their website <https://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/outdoorcentres/education/our-centres/tilebarn>.

When we commenced our search for an alternative to Blackland Farm we were aware that prices had increased substantial. We do understand the financial burdens families are under at the moment and it is hoped that providing you with more time to pay, this will alleviate some of those pressures

The total cost for the trip **£415.00**, which includes accommodation, food, transport, insurance and all instructor led activities. Although some of the charge is voluntary, if we do not receive sufficient funds to cover the cost of the trip it is probable that the trip will have to be cancelled.

If there are exceptional cases of hardship, the school will try to support an element of the costs through its own budget, but this would reduce what we are able to spend in terms of materials and equipment for the children.

To ease the financial pressure on parents we have phased payments for this trip across the school year. Please make the initial payment of **£65.00 by 1st December 2023, and** then we would suggest that you pay £70.00 each month in January, February, March, April and May 2024. These are only suggested payment patterns.

All parents are asked to pay **at least £200** to confirm their child’s place on the trip by the **15th February 2024. No refunds will be given after this date. We must receive full payment by the 15th May 2024.**



We ask that you pay this through ParentPay, where you can also give your consent for the trip. Please call the office if you have lost your activation letter or would like help getting started.

We do appreciate that some families might find it particularly difficult to contribute all of the sum above. If you are in this position and have need of further financial assistance, please contact me initially via email on head@billingshurstprimary.org.uk.

We would like every child in Year 6 to attend this trip.

As mentioned we are having a short meeting for parents/carers **on Wednesday 22nd November at 3.30pm in the KS1 Hall** to discuss the trip in more detail. In addition to the meeting more comprehensive details will also be available nearer the time.

If you have any further questions or concerns then please do not hesitate to contact the Year 6 team in person or via the Year Group email: years6@billingshurstprimary.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



Brian Ball
Interim Headteacher








TILE BARN

KEY



Fields for Camping

1 - 313 Camping pitches

- A** Reception
- B** Toilets, Showers and Washing Up Sinks
- C** Bunkhouse
- D** Shop and Vending
- E** Camping Services (Fridges, Freezers)
- F** Car and Minibus Parking
- G** Camper's Field Access
- H** Mountain Bike Skills
- I** Fire Lighting and Outdoor Cooking
- J** Nightline
- K** High Ropes
- L** Low Ropes
- M** Problem Solving
- N** Climbing
- O** Archery
- P** Pod Village
- Q** Shelter Building
-  Water Point
-  Recycling and General Waste Point
-  Fire Alarm Point
-  Fire Assembly Point
-  Electric Vehicle Charging

