

ETWALL PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Year 5/6 parents and carers,

As you are aware, our residential trip is fast approaching. Below is some final information that you will need to be aware of.

The accompanying adults are all familiar to the children as they are all members of school staff. Adults going with the children are: Miss Warburton, Mrs Dhillon, Mrs Hall, Mrs Cheetham, Mr Jowett, Mrs Appleton and Mrs Giles.

We will be leaving at 9.30am on Monday 22nd October. The children will need to come to school and leave their named bags in the disabled parking space in the car park. Your child will need to be at school for 9.15 at the latest to be registered. Of course, if you wish your child to come at the normal time, then they are welcome to do so. Ospreys and Eagles will need to go to their normal classrooms and Year 5 Sparrowhawks will need to go Ospreys classroom.

We will return to school at 3.00pm on Friday 26th October, ready to start the half term holiday! You will need to collect your child from the coach, once you have located your child's luggage. It would be very helpful if you could assist in unpacking the bags from the coach onto the pavement. Please be patient as we will dismiss the children from the coach directly to their parent(s) to ensure that all children are safely collected. If the arrival time outside school is going to be different, e.g. due to traffic, we will send a message to you via the school system in plenty of time.

Your child will need to bring with them a packed lunch for Monday lunchtime, all food will be provided after this. Please put this in a separate, named, disposable bag.

On your child's class webpage is another copy of the kit list. Please **ensure that all items are clearly named**, so we can guarantee they will find their way home! Please ensure that your child brings plenty of warm clothing, particularly if the weather is poor, as they may need to layer up or change throughout the day if they get wet/dirty during an activity. We have also found it useful in the past for children to have an empty bin liner in their bag in which to put dirty clothes. They will also need a small rucksack in which to carry their lunch when we do our hill walk. Walking socks to wear with boots on this day are also recommended.

Please ensure that your child does not take any electrical items with them, including mobile phones. If for any reason we need to get in contact with you, the school or Hollowford Centre staff will do this. Your child may bring a camera with them, but this cannot be one that is on a mobile phone. We strongly suggest that they bring a disposable camera, rather than an expensive one. The staff will take plenty of photographs, so you may feel that a camera is not necessary for

your child. **We will be putting pictures and short updates on the school website each night so that you can find out what we have been up to!**

We will let your child know which group and which dormitory they will be in when we arrive. We will ask for the children's input when organising groups, so we can ensure they are with their friends. Girls and boys will obviously be in separate dormitories.

If your child wishes, they can bring up to £5 spending money. Please ensure your child brings this in change (£1/50p's please – no notes). This needs to be sent to school in a labelled envelope by **Friday 19th October** and given to their class teacher.

If your child requires any medication (prescribed or otherwise), please request and complete a medication form by Friday 19th October at the school office, giving clear instructions as to what your child needs to take and when. Please ensure that any medicines and forms are given to Mrs Dhillon on the morning we leave, clearly named in a sealed clear bag. Mrs Dhillon will be in Ospreys classroom.

You have already completed a visit form containing all medical information etc, but please update this if needed at the school office **this week** if any information has changed. We need to let the Hollowford Centre know of the most up to date information as soon as possible, so that they are prepared for our visit. If your child has any dietary requirements (vegetarian/allergies etc – not likes/dislikes) please also let us know as soon as possible, so we can let the Hollowford Centre know.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you wish to clarify any of the information given. We are looking forward to the residential, as are the children, and are sure that it will be a great success for them!

Thank you for your support.
Yours sincerely,

Miss Warburton, Mrs Dhillon and Miss Marriott (Year 5/6 teachers).

