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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 residential

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 6 residential meeting. We really appreciate your time and the thoughtful questions raised.

Here is the follow up on the key points discussed:

Winter adaptations
The centre does make adaptations during the winter months. On colder days they alternate indoor and outdoor activities to ensure children remain comfortable. Due to reduced daylight hours, indoor activities such as fencing and caving are scheduled later in the afternoon making best use of the available light earlier in the day. If there is poor weather activities get re-scheduled wherever possible. A sample programme is attached to the MCAS.

Staffing support
Parents asked whether an additional member of staff could attend to provide extra support, particularly if there are any difficulties (for example, relating to the cold). We have arranged for an additional member of staff to join the visit.

Cost of the visit
The total cost of the December residential, including the coach, insurance and all staffing, will be **£255 per pupil**.

Alternative dates later in the year
We were also asked about the possibility of dates later in the academic year. We do not feel that March or April would be suitable due to the disruption to learning at a crucial time for Year 6 pupils. Residential visits in June or July are available; however, the cost of the trip at that time of year rises to **£570 per pupil**.

We hope this clarifies the points discussed at the meeting. We are confident that the December visit offers a high-quality, enriching experience at a more affordable cost, while minimising disruption to learning. I have spoken to the centre who talked very enthusiastically about running residentials in the winter in the past.



If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Mrs Flowerdew
Headteacher

