



Dereham Church of England Junior Academy

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Very excitingly, our Year 4 Residential is this month and will very soon be upon us so I wanted to confirm/highlight a few details.

Departure Day

Children should arrive at school on the day of departure (Monday or Wednesday) at normal time. They do not need to be in school uniform. We ask bags to be placed in the year 4 hall.

We are due to depart at 11:00am, should you wish to wave your child off. Please remember children will need a **packed lunch** in a plastic bag for the first day. For those entitled to a free school meal, one will be provided.

Medicines

Thank you for all the details that have been provided on the medical forms, please can I ask that before the day of departure that any medication your child will require during the visit is brought into school. It is important that your child's name, the dosage and when it is required to be taken is clearly labelled. We can then ensure that all medication is safe and administered correctly.

PLEASE RETURN ANY OUTSTANDING FORMS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

Activities

Should you wish to take a look on the Horstead Centre website, we will be taking part in *Archery*, *Canoeing*, the *Tower Experience*, *Bushcraft* and the *Low ropes/tunnels*.

Canoeing is a *potentially* wet activity during their stay therefore it would be good for them to have enough warm clothes and maybe a **plastic bag** if necessary.

Indoor Footwear

The Horstead Centre is very keen for the outside to be kept outside their buildings and have asked that children have indoor footwear that they can use inside the centre building. Outdoor footwear will then be stored in a boot room for when the children head outside to complete their activities. Plimsolls, which are normally used for indoor PE, or slippers would be ideal.

Water Bottles

As when we are in school, we believe it is important for children keep well hydrated throughout the day. We will have access to a kitchen room and will ensure that children fill up their bottles and have them with them.

Pocket Money

The children may have the opportunity to buy a small souvenir. If you would like to send them with a small amount of spending money (**no more than £5**), please ensure it is in a named purse/wallet. This will be the children's responsibility.

Electronic equipment

No electronic equipment (e.g. Nintendo, tablet, phone) is to be brought on the trip. If the children would like to take photographs, they could bring a small disposable camera (again named please).

Kit lists are available on the school website. Should we be lucky enough to have sunshine (fingers crossed!), please send **hats** and **suncream!**

Should you have any further questions, please feel free to let us know.

Yours sincerely,

R. Bunkle

Mrs Bunkle (Y4 Leader)