

**YEAR 6  
RESIDENTIAL  
MEETING**

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> of May

# INTENTIONS

- Rationale for residential trips
- Where is it?
- Timetable of the experiences
- What will they be doing
- Winmarleigh Hall – rooms; food; site security
- Ways we support the children whilst away
- Ways you can prepare them ahead of going/whilst they are there
- Equipment

# WHY WE GO...

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Develops independence

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Experiences that you can't achieve in a classroom

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Bonds the children as a class, year group and with their teachers quickly

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Transferable skills

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Cultural capital

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Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Leave school at about 10am to head to Winmarleigh Hall, PGL	Breakfast – about 7:45-8:30 am	Breakfast – about 7:45-8:30 am	Breakfast – about 7:45-8:30 am	Breakfast – about 7:45-8:30 am
Arrive at 11:30am and tour the site and have lunch	Head to Liverpool	Activity 3 on site	Activity 7 on site	Activity 9 on site
Activity 1 in the afternoon – more on these on a later slide	Visit the World Museum in the morning	Activity 4 on site	Activity 8 on site	Activity 10 on site
Activity 2	Packed lunch at the Albert Docks	Lunch at PGL	Lunch at PGL	Lunch at PGL
Dinner on site (about 5:30pm)	Take a river boat trip along the Mersey	Activity 5 on site	Head to Blackpool - Visit Sea Life Centre, the beach – paddle; play frisbee; build sandcastles; have an ice cream...	Coach home and back at Riverside by about 4pm
Evening activity 6:30-8:30pm	Explore the Liverpool Museum	Activity 6 on site	Dinner on site (about 5:30pm)	(Bath, wine, pizza...)
Lights out by 9:15pm	Return to PGL for dinner	Dinner on site (about 5:30pm)	Evening activity 6:30-8:30pm	
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# THE KIND OF EXPERIENCES THEY HAVE ON SITE



- Raft building
- Archery
- Zip Wire
- Sensory Trail
- Jacob's ladder
- Giant Swing
- Problem solving
- High ropes



# Jacob's ladder



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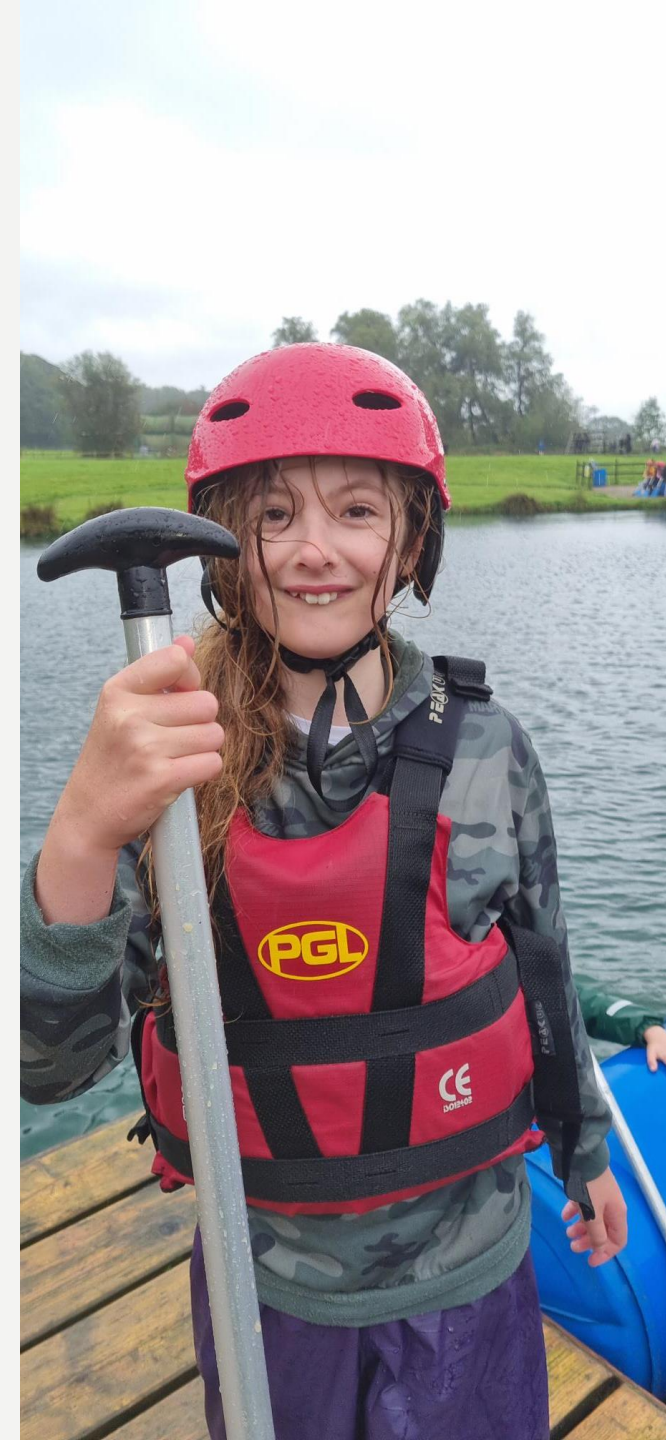
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# Problem solving





# Raft building



# Archery



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# WILL THEY BE FORCED TO TAKE PART?



- All activities are led by fully trained instructors who will encourage children to take part, have fun and support each other
- There will always be a member of Riverside staff with each group – often participating alongside them!
- No child will be made to do anything they don't want, but each new day/activity, they will be encouraged to challenge themselves as often feelings on the Monday are different on the Friday

# MY CHILD IS A FUSSY EATER...

- There is a HUGE amount of choice across the three meal options, including a veggie option
- All allergies are listed daily and specific dietary requirements, e.g. coeliacs are catered for
- There are healthy options alongside kid favourites, e.g. chips
- Catering staff work closely with schools to make sure the children are well fed and happy



# WHERE WILL THEY BE SLEEPING?



- Each room sleeps 4 or 6 children
- Each room has its own private toilet/shower with a lockable door
- The children in September will select three children they'd like to share a room with, and we'll guarantee them at least one of those, but we try and put as many together on lists as possible
- Riverside has a corridor all to themselves and staff sleep in rooms on that same corridor

# HOW WE LOOK AFTER THEM



- We send loads of staff – Miss Longbottom; Ms Rooney; Mr Howes; Class teacher; Ms Stansfield (potentially)
- We split them into four smaller groups with a leader so we can monitor how they're doing over the week
- We meet daily as a whole group to praise members in our group who have done well that day and talk about what we're looking forward to tomorrow
- We keep them busy and tire them out!
- We talk as a staff team about who needs extra support and increase our check-ins
- We have lots of Q & As with the children before we go
- We manage medication/bed wetting/allergies etc...

# OFTEN THE CHILDREN LOOK AFTER EACH OTHER

- Friendships develop and deepen
- Everyone is in the same boat – they will all feel homesick at some point



# HOW YOU CAN SUPPORT THEM NOW AND WHEN THEY ARE AWAY...



- If they haven't slept away from home yet, organise sleepovers...
- Pack home comforts, e.g. a photo of family; favourite teddy etc...
- Write a note that can be opened each day they're away if you'd like
- Follow us on Twitter and comment when you see them in photos etc...we'll make sure they see your messages of support
- Make sure they pack their bags – not just you!
- If there's anything we need to know talk with their Year 6 teacher or me



## CLOTHING

Clothes are likely to suffer wear and tear and also get dirty and/or wet therefore you should bring several changes of old clothes for doing activities.



T-shirts

Long sleeved shirt/T-shirts

Waterproof jacket

Fleeeces/jumpers

### **Tops & jackets**

*Your arms will need to be covered to do some activities.*

### **Trousers or leggings**

but not jeans as they get heavy and cold when wet



### **Underwear & socks**

*Your socks will need to cover your ankles to do some activities.*

### 1 or 2 sets of **clothes for the evening**



### Suitable **nightwear**

## WHAT SHOULD THEY BRING?

- Pack a few extras in case somethings get lost or very mucky
- Clothing they should be happy to get wet and mucky in
- This includes a pair of trainers that can be wet/mucky
- Sleeping bag

## FOOTWEAR

- 2 pairs** of trainers
- 1 for activities
  - 1 old pair for watersports

- 1 pair of dry shoes**  
for evening activities



## OTHER ITEMS

- 2 towels** ↗ 1 for showering  
↘ 1 old one for activities

- Reusable **drinks bottle**

- Small **rucksack/bag**

- Labelled **bin bag** for wet and dirty clothing



- Washbag** including soap, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste (please do not bring Aerosols)

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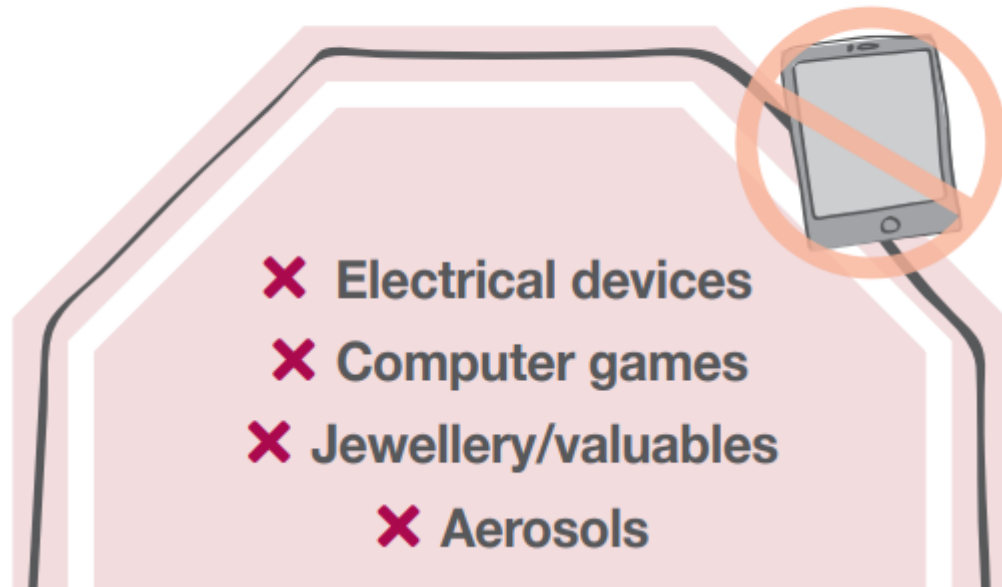
- £10 spending money – preferably in pound coins – this is for the PGL shop and trips out. Group leaders will keep this safe.

### Lost property

We recommend you write a list of what you pack to check before you come home. If you do leave anything behind, please contact your party leader who will contact PGL. Postage will be charged for returning lost items.

# WHAT SHOULDN'T THEY BRING?

## PLEASE DO NOT BRING



- No mobile phones...
- Nothing that if it were lost forever, would be heart breaking...
- Not too many 'treats'...



*We are going to have a great trip!*

*Any questions?*