

Hughenden Primary School

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Dear Parents,

Hughenden Primary School - Year 6 Residential Activity Week 2022

We are very excited to be able to plan to take our Year 6 children away for a weeks' residential visit to Kingswood Activity Centre on the Isle of Wight next summer. Given the disruption to their recent schooling and the fact the children have missed out on many trips and experiences in Y4 and Y5 due to the pandemic, we believe this will be an amazing opportunity and a great way for them to celebrate the end of their time at Hughenden Primary School. The children will leave school on the morning of Monday 6 June and will return on the afternoon of Friday 10 June 2022.

The quality of the accommodation and food at Kingswood is excellent and they provide a wide range of activities for the children to experience. The centre, in Bembridge, Isle of Wight, sits on a clifftop with amazing views of the surrounding coastline. For more information on the activity centre we have booked, please see below:

https://www.kingswood.co.uk/activity-centres/isle-of-wight/

We consider that Kingswood will provide the pupils with opportunities that are not available more locally. The site is fully self-contained with residential blocks and rooms that sleep 4-6 children, classrooms and a dining room with a good range of food choices.

The cost of the visit will be £450 per child, (£394.50 for use of the centre and £55.50 for the coach and ferry journey.) In order to secure our booking with Kingswood and meet the payment deadlines, we require a **deposit of £100 by 4 October 2021**. A second deposit of £100 is due by 29 November and the balance of £250 by 8 April 2022. Payment can be made online by ParentPay (I will send out activation letters to parents next week), or alternatively you may pay by cheque/cash.

We recognise that this is a considerable amount of money, however, for comparison our last Year 6 residential in 2019 cost £390 and was at the end of March, so with increased prices due to COVID and a warmer time of year, we think that £450 is very good value considering the other trips pupils have missed out on and that haven't needed to be funded. If your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium or you have problems paying this amount then please contact us to discuss costs in confidence, as we would really like every child to have this wonderful opportunity.

We will hold our usual meeting for parents prior to the visit taking place on **Wednesday 4 May 2021** at 8.30am. I am sure it will be a very successful visit and the children will gain much from it in terms of their education, social and personal development. Please do not hesitate to come and talk to us if you have any questions about this visit.

Yours sincerely

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