

Year 5 Residential

Dear Parents/Carers

Our trip to PGL is fast approaching, with less than 4 weeks to go until we head off on our adventures! We are hopeful that this letter will give you all the information about the trip that you need, but please do ask if you have any questions or concerns.

Planned Activities

The children will be taking part in some of the following activities. They have been planned in conjunction with PGL to give an exciting, broad range of pursuits to suit all levels of confidence and abilities.

- **Abseiling**
- **Catapult**
- **Problem solving**
- **Knots and shelters**
- **Fire building**
- **Giant swing**
- **Night navigation**

Kit List

The all-important kit list can be found below. We hope that nothing on there causes you any issues – what's most important is that children come with old clothes that they don't mind getting mucky as we will be mainly outside for all our activities. A waterproof is also essential, but we hope the sun will be shining!

Children will be required to bring their own sleeping bag and pillow as bedding is not provided by PGL.

- Packed lunch for the first day (in disposable bag please!)
- Several pairs of comfortable trousers – **NOT JEANS** – be prepared to get wet in them!
- Warm clothing such as a tracksuit and couple of fleeces/jumpers
- Long sleeved top
- T-shirts and tops
- Underwear
- Socks (bring plenty of spares!)
- Pyjamas
- Waterproof coat and trousers (or trousers that can get wet and muddy)
- Sun hat, warm hat, gloves and scarf, sun-cream (we are hoping for warm days, but the evenings may still be chilly)
- 2 x towels - one for the bathroom, one for activities
- Toiletries – toothbrush, toothpaste, flannel, soap/shower gel, shampoo/conditioner, hair ties (for long hair) and deodorant (**NOT spray cans**)
- Personal medication (Labelled and handed directly to a member of staff on the morning of departure please!)
- Indoor shoes
- Outdoor shoes
- Outdoor shoes suitable for getting wet during water sports activities
- Trainers with non-marking soles suitable for the sports hall
- Named drinks bottle
- Day rucksack (to take on bus and large enough to contain a packed lunch, drinks bottle and wet weather gear). Please note that we will not have access to our main bags until being shown to our rooms later in the afternoon, so pack what you need for the first day into your smaller bag.
- Torch
- A reading book
- Plastic bin bags/carrier bags for wet/muddy clothing

We ask that the children do not bring any mobile phones, or other personal electronic equipment. Any such equipment will be confiscated and returned at the end of the trip.

It would be very helpful if you could pack your bag along with your child. Not only will this help them know what items they have with them, but they will also be much more proficient at packing independently when it is time to leave.

If you have any questions or concerns, then please feel free to contact us.

Kind regards

Mr Chadd