

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to share with you the details of our Year 6 Leavers' Journey. After going through the survey all children in Year 6 completed a few months ago about their ideas for their Leavers' Journey, several themes stood out: outdoor activities and a residential trip. The children were also clear that they wanted to create special memories to take with them as they move on with their secondary career.

In response to this, we have created a Year 6 Woodland Adventure to cap their time with us at the Hamlet.

**Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** We will be leaving school by coach in the morning and heading to Badgells Wood in Kent. Badgells Wood is beautiful site of ancient woodland that is used as an off-grid campsite. Upon arrival we will pitch tents under the canopy and then settle down to lunch. From there we will explore the 250 acre woodland, play on the rope swings and take part in a variety of small-group woodland activities. As dusk approaches, we will make camp fires on which we will cook our dinners before we turn in, settle into our tents and get a good night's sleep.

**Wednesday 22<sup>st</sup> May:** After breakfasting by our tents, we will all make our way to Go Ape at near-by Leeds Castle. At Go Ape, we will spend the day exploring the tree tops and taking part in safe and fun outdoor adventure activities. From there we return to base at Badgells Wood where we will once again make our fires, prepare and cook our dinners and turn in for the night.

**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May:** We will be returning to school after a final campsite breakfast, packing away of tents and equipment and a final play and explore of the woodland.

In total contrast to our Woodland Adventure...

On the evening of **Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> June**, Year 6 will have a Gala Dinner and Theatre Trip. After dining on a specially prepared hot dinner at school in our finest evening wear, we will be taking the train into Central London where we will be enjoying a performance of Matilda at the Cambridge Theatre before returning for a very late school pick up.

The total cost for this Year 6 Leavers' Experience (3 day /2 night camping trip and theatre trip) will be £120. We hope that you find this reasonable. It is our aim that every Year 6 child will be able to access this new experience.

Please contact the trip leader, Tom Salomonson in the first instance if;


- Your child is in receipt of Pupil Premium
- There are current financial circumstances that would prevent your child participating
- There are any reasonable adjustments that need to be made for your child with additional needs

Please email Stephanie Bartle in the office by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> January 2019 if you would like to spread your payments over four months at £30 / month. We will then set-up payments on ParentPay in early January. [sbartle3.210@lgflmail.org](mailto:sbartle3.210@lgflmail.org)

We will write again in January with a formal permission slip, and with a kit list for the trip.

Yours sincerely.

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