

13th February 2019

RE: Year 4 – Residential Trip to Escot

Dear Parent,

As you will be aware, there is an opportunity for your child to take part in a Year 4 residential at **Escot Park on Thursday 9th to Friday 10th May** with activities organised and run by the Escot team. The aim is to educate children about the natural world through guided hands on exploration and discovering new ways to learn about local history, plants and animals. There will also be the opportunity to develop skills of ‘bush craft’.

The children will be sleeping in ‘yurts’ within a yurt village at the site. Each yurt has a capacity of 14 children in bunk beds. There is also an adult yurt on site. The site has hot showers, toilets and a fully equipped kitchen. There is a large playing field area surrounding the yurts and an outdoor campfire circle.

The children will be taking part in a number of team building activities as well as ‘living history’ work which will allow them to research the time of the Anglo Saxons. Activities include wattle and daub, lighting fires, making pennies, bread making, spoon making, forging, milling, pole lathing and splitting logs.

The cost of this residential is **£75** including all transport, activities, food and accommodation. **Please can you pay the deposit of £40, via WisePay, by Sunday 24th February.** Payment in full is due by **Sunday 31st March 2019 with a final payment of £35.** If you are eligible for Free School Meals there is a discount available.

The children will be transported to the venue by the school minibuses. The children will require a **packed lunch on the Thursday** but will have a cooked tea, cooked breakfast the following morning and lunch before leaving on the Friday.

As detailed on the dates list, a parents’ information evening has been arranged for **Wednesday 27th March 2019 at 7.00pm** in the school hall, to provide detailed information and give you an opportunity to ask any questions, meet the staff going and see pictures of Escot and last year’s trip.

Please could you complete the online emergency contact details and consent form that we will send you tomorrow.

If your child is on any medication at the time they go on this residential, you will need to complete an ‘Administration of Medicines’ form to give us your consent to administer any required medication. We will also need to know any medicines you have given your child over the previous 24 hours. On the day of departure, please bring the medication and both forms in a bag labelled with your child’s name and give it to one of the members of staff going on the residential.

The trip has been very successful for the last few years and we believe it to be an exciting opportunity for the children.

Yours sincerely,



Jonathan Bishop
Executive Headteacher