

Copied below are the notes from the parents meeting concerning the School Journey to Kingswood (16th to 20th September) for your information

Medical Information

- Please ensure that we have the most up to date medical information available about your child.
- If your child has an asthma pump, please provide 2 of each (in case one is lost or broken).
- If they suffer from travel sickness, please ensure that you provide tablets for the journey there and the return journey (in a named envelope).
- We will provide calpol in case any children need it – if you have put this in the occasional medication section and signed this section of the medical form then we will administer this if we feel it is necessary. If you have not added this and your child has a headache or tummy ache then we will give you a call to check that this is ok.
- Any dietary information also needs to go on this form.

Luggage

- All luggage must be put into one large bag or suitcase please.
- Jeans may be taken for the evening activities, but children will not be able to take part in daytime activities if they are wearing jeans.
- During the day sports clothing / leggings must be worn.
- Some activities require children to wear long socks (i.e. not trainer socks) and long-sleeved T-shirts or jumpers.
- Children will require 2 pairs of comfortable trainers for outdoor use and an additional pair that you don't mind getting wet (or water shoes). If you have sturdy walking shoes, then just one further pair of trainers is needed plus an old pair/water shoes for the water activity.
- No jewellery is to be worn or taken.
- A drink bottle is essential and a small rucksack will be useful if they have one.
- Please ensure that ALL clothing is labelled with their name and they have some plastic bags to put dirty washing or muddy clothes in.
- Please pack with your child so that they know what they have brought.
- **It is essential that your child brings a waterproof jacket as all activities will go ahead regardless of the weather.**

Travel

- Children will come to school as normal on Monday 16th September but do not have to wear school uniform.
- They will need to be collected at approximately 1pm to be transported to Kingswood.
- If having a packed lunch, please bring it in a plastic bag so that it can all be thrown away after lunch.
- On Friday 20th, pick-up will be from Kingswood at 12:30pm. Your child will have collected a packed lunch which they may have already eaten, if not then this can be eaten on your journey home.
- Letter will go home during the first week asking you to confirm travel arrangements for your child.
- Kingswood address and postcode is: Grosvenor Hall, Kennington, Ashford, **TN25 4AJ.**

Valuables

- NO computer games of any description or mobile phones, iPods or MP3 players are allowed, although children may bring cards and other small games to play in the evening in their rooms.
- Children are allowed to bring a camera if they wish (not attached to a phone) but this is entirely at their own risk.

- There is a tuck shop on site that the children can visit if they wish. There is a spending limit of £3 on sweets and drinks etc. with extra allowed for souvenirs if desired.
- If you wish your child to have pocket money, a maximum of £20 can be brought to school in a sealed envelope with your child's name on, no later than Thursday 14th September. Please have this in denominations of £5 or less.
- This money will be put into a 'bank' that the children will be able to withdraw from. Please provide a purse that they can put this and any unspent money in.
- Please let me know if it is better that your child does not have certain sugary sweets or fizzy drinks and purchases will be discretely monitored.
- No energy drinks will be allowed.
- A small travel clock would be useful in each room – once room lists are finalised children could organise between themselves who can bring one.

Accommodation

- Our accommodation block will be allocated over the summer and we shall organise rooms on our return in September. The children will be involved in this process, but we will not be able to guarantee to meet all their wishes!
- The number of children in each room varies from year to year, but is normally between 2 and 3, with the occasional larger room. No children will be in rooms on their own.

Photos

The adults supervising each activity will take a selection of photos of individuals and groups of children – you will then have the opportunity to purchase (for a nominal fee which goes towards the Year 6 fundraising) all of the photos for the group your child was in. Your child will not be in every photo but should be in a significant number of them. If you are not happy for your child's photo to be taken, please let me know.

Be assured, your child will not be forced to complete any of the activities but will be supported and encouraged to do so by team leaders and their peers.

Mr Rye

**ALL ITEMS OF CLOTHING AND ADDITIONAL ITEMS ARE TAKEN ENTIRELY AT YOUR OWN RISK.
THE SCHOOL CANNOT TAKE RESPONSIBILITY FOR LOST, DAMAGED OR STOLEN PROPERTY.**

There will be a 24hour emergency phone number for you to call if your child needs to be contacted in an emergency. This will either be school during normal working hours or a member of the senior leadership team who will be able to contact staff at the centre in an emergency.