



THE DOWNLEY SCHOOL

"Learning, Growing and Succeeding Together"

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FRONTIER CENTRE 24th-28th June 2019

Dear Parents/Carers

Year 6 will be returning to the Frontier Centre in Northampton for their annual residential trip. We have been using this site for many years and have been delighted with the service they have provided each time we visit. This year's trip will be taking place from Monday to Friday of the week commencing Monday 24th June 2019.

This trip is a fantastic opportunity for the children to experience a wide range of different activities, including kayaking, climbing and abseiling, and for them to experience being away from home for a longer period of time than they may have been previously. Every year we have been amazed by not only the support and encouragement that the children give each other as they try to conquer their fears, but also the courage that they show when they are faced with a difficult challenge. It is wonderful to see the looks of pride, accomplishment (and sometimes relief!) on their faces when they have completed an activity.

We leave school on Monday morning and travel to the Frontier Centre. We then spend four full days on site participating in activities led by both site instructors (who are all fully qualified and first aid trained) and ourselves as teachers. At the centre the children will be sleeping in rooms of between two and four. The children are provided with a full breakfast and two other cooked meals during the day, and all dietary requirements are catered for.

Depending on the number of children going, there will be four or five staff members attending with the children. We have first aid trained members of staff with each group and have experience of using the site and its facilities on numerous occasions previously.

The cost of the week will be £325. This covers all of the activities and travel. To secure a place for your child you will be required to pay a £50.00 deposit (this is non-refundable). After this you can pay in instalments with the final balance being paid by 31st May. These payments will be made available for payment through Parentpay.

If your child is not attending the Frontier Centre, we will be running an Activity Week in school. In the past this has become very expensive so over the last couple of years we changed the format slightly. The children will spend a week in school working on a mini project (which includes research, teamwork, and skill development. The cost for Activity Week will be no more than £30.00.



We have the capacity to take every member of Year 6 with us on this trip, and it would be wonderful for as many to come as possible. Every year the children and staff say it has been the highlight of their time at The Downley School and is a fantastic way for the children to bring their time at Downley to a close.

An information meeting will be held on Thursday 24th January 2019 at 6.00pm. We will be talking to the children about the trip over the next few weeks, but they are welcome to come with you to the meeting should they wish to. Please sign and return the attached form to confirm your attendance.

Please note that the deadline for securing your child's place and payment of the deposit of £50.00 is payable by 31st December 2018. Payments thereafter will be made available on Parentpay in instalments between January and May equating to £55 per month. Should you wish to pay the amount in full please contact Ms Giles.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Stanbridge/Mr Tapping
Year 6

Frontier Centre – 24th-28th June 2019

Child's Name Class

I do/do not wish my child to take part in the trip

I/We will be attending the information meeting on Thursday 24th January at 6.00pm

Please reserve me seats

Signed Date