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Monday, 15 April, 2024

Dear Parents,

#### Robinwood: 1 2 3 May, 2024

As we enter our final half term, we wished to give some information about our upcoming Year 5 school trip to Robinwood. We hope that the children are very much looking forward to the experience.

Mrs Barber and Mr Hartney are the school staff leading this trip. Your child will be supervised 24 hours a day by experienced and qualified staff, including during the night. Children sleep in single sex dormitories of 4-5 which are next to a toilet/bathroom.

Each dormitory has a bell which will alert staff to a child’s need and will receive an immediate response. Any behaviour issues during the night are logged and reported to Mrs Barber in the morning. If behaviour warrants it, a child may be excluded from an activity, although obviously, this is not something that we expect to happen at all.

All essential activity and safety equipment is provided by Robinwood, as is all bedding; the information leaflet provides a comprehensive list of what you need to pack. Please ensure that ALL items of clothing are labelled with your child’s name as the staff at Robinwood wash the children’s clothes overnight.

In addition, children may also bring:

* A bedtime book and/or soft toy
* A chocolate treat or snack to be eaten in the evening after dinner or in their rooms. This must be nut-free, and we ask that you please use moderation!

It is also vitally important that any inhalers, medication, etc is clearly marked with your child’s name and that this is given to Mrs Barber or Mr Hartney before 8.35am on the morning of Wednesday, 1 May. Mrs Barber will be available in the Year 5 classroom from 8.00 am on the morning of the trip.

### Please do not bring:

* Mobile phones, I Pads, tablets, Apple watches or any electronic devices. These may get lost or damaged.
* Valuables and jewellery
* Torches
* Aerosols/spray deodorants

We will be leaving school at approximately 9.30 am on Wednesday, 1 May. The children will need to wear sensible shoes and take a waterproof coat as they will have a 30-minute walk when they first arrive. The children do not need a packed lunch as they will be served lunch as soon as they arrive at Robinwood.

The first activity the children will take part in, (famously) is to put their duvet in the duvet cover. We ask that you practise this before the trip so that the children are well-prepared!

We will be leaving Robinwood at approximately 2.00 p.m. on Friday, 3 May, and expect to be back at school for approximately 3.30 pm, depending on the traffic.

The children will not be calling home once they are at Robinwood, due to limited telephone lines and a busy schedule. If there is a particular reason to call, then either Mrs Barber or a senior member of staff from school will not hesitate to contact you. If your child is taken ill during the trip, we will telephone you to ask you to come and collect your child.

School will send text messages to all of our Year 5 families to update them about the general progress of the trip.

Finally, as we are sure you will appreciate, children can occasionally suffer from minor aches and pains, especially when they become over-excited and tired. Please sign the attached slip if you would like staff to give your child Calpol 6 Plus, should they need it whilst at Robinwood.

If you have any questions about Robinwood, you are welcome to telephone school tomorrow (Tuesday, 16 April) between 3.30pm and 4.30pm so that you can speak to Mr Hartney. Alternatively, you are most welcome to speak to Mr Hartney in person at 3.20pm each day if you are at school to collect your child. You may also wish to telephone Mrs Barber at school between 1.00pm and 3.15pm on Thursday, 18 April.

Kind regards

Mrs Ryan

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Should my child need pain relief whilst at Robinwood on 1, 2 or 3 May, 2024, I give my permission for my child to be given an appropriate dose of Calpol 6 Plus.

Name of child………………………………………………………………………………..

Signed …………………………………………………………………… (Parent or carer)