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Dear Parent/Carer

5th June 2019

Proposed Residential Visit to Robinwood Outdoor Centre, Alston **Mon 27th – Wed 29th January 2020**

It is with great pleasure that we can write to say that the Year 4 residential visit to Robinwood will take place in January 2020.

A little bit of information about the visit...

The children leave school on a Monday morning, spend three days taking part in outdoor education activity sessions (usually: canoeing, climbing and archery, two nights sleeping at the Alston Centre before returning to school happy but thoroughly tired out on Wednesday afternoon! The centre is a beautiful Georgian manor house located in the stunningly beautiful countryside north of Carlisle and is owned and managed by Robinwood Outdoors who have been providing outdoor experiences for many years. The learning is fun, exciting and at times challenging but always with safety as the first priority. If you decide that you would quite like your child to take part in the visit there will be an information evening in school where we can provide more information about Robinwood Outdoors, the activities, the food etc. However, for further information in the meantime we can direct you towards the Robinwood Outdoors website with exciting virtual tours of the house and to other parents with children who have been in the past.

Information meetings for parents/carers

We are putting on 2 informal meetings to give you more information about Robinwood, these will be at 4.00pm and again at 6.00pm on Wednesday 12th June. There will be a short DVD and some photos from this years recent visit. We can answer any questions you may have at these meetings.

How much will it cost?

The full and final cost is £145. This includes the accommodation, activities, food, transport and insurance. A payment scheme will be set up at the information evening to enable families to spread the cost out through the year.

Sounds great so what do I do now?

If you like the sound of this visit and would like your child to take part all you need to do is complete the form attached and return it to the school office **before Friday 5th July**, together with a deposit of £10.00 to secure a place on the visit. For this trip you can choose to make the deposit and further payments online. You will receive a text message with your password to give you access to your SchoolMoney account. Please visit the website www.eduspot.co.uk and click on the sign in button in the top right hand corner. In the drop down, select the SchoolMoney Parent Login option and this will send you through to a page where you need to enter your mobile number, email address, the password we have sent to you and your child's first name. After paying the initial deposit you can choose to pay the remaining balance in as many instalments as you wish. Alternatively we accept debit card payments, cheque and cash.



We also ask you to consider your children's independence skills e.g. getting dressed, making beds, packing suitcases etc! The children only have a very short amount of time (5 minutes) to get changed and ready for the activities after instruction from the outdoor educational leaders. They must be capable of doing this quickly!

If you have any questions, please pop in and ask after school time. Finally, we would like to take the opportunity to thank you for your continued support in providing our children with valuable and exciting learning experiences at Ghyllside.

Many thanks,

Mrs Lindsey Longcake
Mrs Lindsey Gillett

Mr Huw Davies

Mr Paul Giblin

Mrs Pam Scarbro

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Please return to the school office by Friday 5th July

Robinwood , Alston Residential 27th – 29th January 2020

I would like my child _____ in
_____ class to participate in the Robinwood, Alston Residential.

I have paid the deposit of £10.00 online to secure a place on the trip ()

I enclose the deposit of £10.00 by cash/cheque to secure a place on the trip ()

_____ signature of parent/carer.

