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Year 4 Residential 2023 (Current Year 3)

Venue: Runway's End Outdoor Centre, Aldershot
Date: Monday 6th March – Tuesday 7th March
Duration: 2 days, 1 night

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are delighted to inform you that Holly Lodge shall once again be providing a residential visit for our Year 4 pupils. Unfortunately our previous residential provider no longer offers 1-night stays so we have looked into alternatives. We are delighted to inform you we have chosen to visit the Runway's End Outdoor Centre, Aldershot. We believe their venue offers value for money, fantastic facilities, and a great location. The centre is only a 10-minute drive away from school, so parents and pupils have the reassurance that they are not too far away from home, but will still enjoy a full residential experience. Parents will be asked to drop off and pick up their child, avoiding the additional expense of coach travel.

Residential courses organised by the school are an invaluable part of school life. Pupils benefit hugely from the experience, both educationally and socially and we feel certain that the programme which we have chosen this year will prove to be both enjoyable and very worthwhile.

In the autumn term, we will arrange an information meeting for parents to explain more details and show you a presentation of the types of visits Runway's End has to offer. In the meantime, please visit:

<https://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/outdoorcentres/schooloutdoorcentres/our-centres/runways-end>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dd896Kd3ttY&t=54s>

The cost for the trip will be **£87.00** per child and the trip can only take place if parents agree to pay the full cost, which includes accommodation in Forge Lodge, meals, insurance and the services of the centre's staff. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, please speak to the office as you may be eligible for assistance towards the cost of board and lodgings.

An initial **non-refundable deposit of £27.00** will be required to secure a booking. Payments will then be required at regular intervals, with the final balance due by 1st November 2022. There are enough places available to accommodate the whole of the year group should they all wish to attend. The payment schedule for parents is as follows:

Payment Type	Payment Due Date	Amount
Payment 1 (Non-refundable deposit)	20 th July 2022	£27.00
Payment 2	1 st September 2022	£20.00
Payment 3	1 st October 2022	£20.00
Payment 4 (Final)	1 st November 2022	£20.00

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With our facility for online payment for trips, you can choose to pay this off in smaller weekly amounts, or pay in full. We have an agreed payment schedule with Runway's End, so these are the minimum amounts which **must be received by these dates**. Please be aware that in the event of parent cancellation or pupil absence, full refunds cannot be guaranteed. The initial deposit is non-refundable.

As we consider high standards of behaviour to be important on educational visits, it may become necessary to review the participation of any child whose conduct in and around the school gives any cause for concern prior or during the visit. In extreme circumstances, a place may be withdrawn altogether and we reserve the right to take this action if it should prove necessary. In such a case, any payments made may not be refundable.

Payment and online consent is to be made via Scopay. If you are unsure of your Scopay login details, please contact the school office. **Initial £27 deposit payments must be received no later than Wednesday 20th July 2022**.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs C Dancer
Academy Head

Runway's End – Further Information

About The Venue

Nestled in a woodland setting in north Hampshire, Runway's End boasts an impressive range of indoor, outdoor and easily accessible activities. Stay residentially in Forge Lodge, with full and self-catering options available.

Groups can scale our climbing wall, shoot arrows in the archery range, explore our caving system and paddle the beautiful Basingstoke canal – all led by our fantastic instructors.

Sample Activities

Caving, kayaking, bushcraft, archery, climbing, abseiling, high ropes, low ropes.

Sample Itinerary

(Final Itinerary to be confirmed nearer to departure)

Day 1	Time	Activity
Monday	9:00	Arrival on site – Parents to drop off at venue
Monday	9.30 -11.00	Activities 1 & 2
Monday	12:30 - 13:30	Packed lunch - Pupils to bring own packed lunch on first day
Monday	13:30 - 16:30	Activities 3 & 4
Monday	17:00 - 18:00	Evening Meal
Monday	18:30 - 21:00	Campfire Circle
Day 2	Time	Activity
Tuesday	07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast
Tuesday	09:30 - 12:30	Activities 5 & 6
Tuesday	12:30 - 13:30	Packed Lunch - Provided by venue
Tuesday	13.30 – 15.30	Nature walk
Tuesday	15:30	Departure - Parents to pick up from venue