



St Bartholomew's C of E Primary School

28th September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

Dukes Barn Residential 2022 - 2023 - Year 6

We are delighted to inform you that the Dukes Barn residential for Year 6 will be going ahead again this school year, as long as Government guidelines remain the same. We have booked two weeks so that all pupils will have the opportunity to stay for 4 nights (5 days) in either March or June.

As yet we are unsure when your child will be going. This will be decided once we have confirmation of exact numbers.

Please see the dates below:

Residential 1 – Monday 20th March 2023 to Friday 24th March 2023

Residential 2 – Monday 5th June 2023 to Friday 9th June 2023

The trip is an ideal opportunity for your child to extend their education outside their normal environment, offering them the chance to be more independent and interact with their fellow pupils away from school. During their stay the children will experience many activities, for example, rock climbing, abseiling, canoeing, stream walking, caving and orienteering. They will learn how to work together, rely on each other, and hopefully have fun together. It is a memorable experience for any child. Dukes Barn offers excellent accommodation in wonderful surroundings set in a picturesque village close to the Chatsworth House estate in Derbyshire.

The cost of the trip is £390. Full payment of the trip will be due by Friday 3rd March 2023.

To secure a place, please arrange for payment of the £25.00 non-refundable deposit online via Parentpay and complete the online consent form. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals or is a Looked After Child, then there is no cost to you, however, you will still need to complete the online consent for this via Parentpay. **Please complete this by Friday 14th October 2023.**

The Government has revised the safety regulations for schools making external visits, including residential visits. The regulations have been made with the safety of all who participate in mind. This school has always upheld high standards of safety and we have always had very successful and enjoyable residential and day trips. To maintain this record of safety, the good behaviour of all pupils participating in the trip is necessary. If the school

has any concerns over a child's behaviour, which may cause harm or injury to themselves or other pupils at any time prior to the trip taking place, they will not be allowed to participate. Any deposit will not be refunded, and any other money paid will only be returned if another child takes up the place. If a child's behaviour causes concern at any time while away, parents will be contacted and asked to collect their child immediately.

We are sure you appreciate the responsibility taken by staff who attend the residential trips is very great; the safety of all children and all staff is paramount and cannot be jeopardised by irresponsible behaviour from uncooperative children. We hope we have your support in this matter and sincerely hope we will not have to rely on these measures to ensure everyone's safety.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Spray
Upper KS2 Leader