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Dear Parents of Year 6 children

As you know we arrange residential visits for the children within school. All visits are linked to different aspects of the National Curriculum at Key Stage 2.

We have managed to secure a booking for the Year 6 children to visit Arthog - Shropshire's Outdoor Education Centre on:

Monday 8th June until Friday 12th June 2020

This will form part of the Key Stage 2 PE curriculum - outdoor and adventurous activities. However, as you know, the main benefits for the children are in their personal social development and we believe they gain a great deal from such visits. Many children see a different side to their peers' characters whilst participating in activities not available to them during the normal school week. Equally, the children further develop their characters when faced with the challenges of new places, experiences and routines. Most parents remark on how much their children have grown during the week!

Arthog is situated in the south of the Snowdonia National Park over-looking Cardigan Bay and the spectacular Mawddach estuary. The Centre has been established for nearly forty years and has substantial experience in the provision of outdoor activities and field studies.

The Centre's staff are all teacher trained and are nationally qualified to lead outdoor adventure activities, enabling us to provide high quality adventure experiences that adhere to stringent safety standards.

Courses for the week will be worked out with the school to ensure maximum advantage is gained during our stay and are always planned to meet the age, ability and special needs of the children. We will almost certainly include rock climbing, orienteering, canoeing, kayaking, gorge walking and some water sports giving a lot of children a chance to try activities for the first time. We believe very strongly that children reap enormous benefit from residential visits and hope that you will support us in this venture.

The cost for the five days will be £310 per child. We will require a £100 non-returnable deposit to be paid by 29th November 2019 to confirm your child's place. The balance of monies can be paid in one lump sum and is to be paid on or before the 1st May 2020. Alternatively, you may prefer to pay by four instalments of £55 at the beginning of February and March and £50 at the beginning of April and May. All payments should be made via the ParentPay system. We are sorry but we cannot accept any other payment methods.

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Arthog have informed us that once places have been confirmed, cancellations are subject to the following charges (no deposits will be refunded), so please make sure your child will be attending before committing to this trip:

- · There will be a 100% cancellation fee for children who drop out within 3 months prior to the start of a course.
- · Arthog strongly advise that parents/legal guardians hold travel insurance to cover any cancellation fees.
- If there are special or extenuating circumstances to an individual not being able to attend, then an application can be made to Arthog for consideration.

Please contact Mrs Bate in the school office between 9.30am and 2pm for details of remissions if you are in receipt of any benefits. (We will require a full copy of your tax credit form.)

To confirm your child's place, please make sure that your non-returnable deposit of £100 is paid by Friday 29^{th} November 2019. If we do not hear from you by Friday 29th November, we will assume that your child will not be going and we will not book a place for them on the trip.

Yours faithfully

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Claire Whiting Headteacher