

23rd June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers,

Residential trip for Year 6 children to Kingswood, West Runton

As you know, we have made a booking for a Year 6 residential trip to the Kingswood Centre, West Runton, Norfolk, from Monday 12th September until Friday 16th September 2022. We have had a great response and uptake for the residential visit.

In order to finalise arrangements for the trip before the summer break, **we would like to invite you to a meeting on Monday 4th July at 9am** in the Expressive Arts hall (please wait near the front door of the school and we will let you in to the hall). Mrs Dowdall, Miss Joomun and Mrs Morris will be able to talk you through key points, and you can ask any further questions if you have them. Staff members who will be going on the trip, plus the current Year 5 children will also be attending the meeting. If you are not able to come along, but have questions, please email the school office or call and leave a message for Miss Joomun, who will get back to you.

Any remaining payments for the trip should be made using Pay360 via the school website (please contact Mrs Black in the school office if you are unsure about the remaining balance due). We have received the final invoice from Kingswood this week, and we need to pay it at the end of June. If you think that you may have difficulty paying the remaining amount for your child, please do contact Mr Tull or Mrs Rawlins so that we can see how we can support.

A reminder of the cost of the trip is here: *The cost of the residential trip works out at £350 per child, including travel to and from the centre. However, for children who are entitled to Pupil Premium funding, school will pay this amount, so the trip will be free. School will also subsidise £75 each for all other children, so the cost of the trip for those not in receipt of Pupil Premium funding will be reduced to £275. We are keen that all children are able to come on the trip, so please do talk to Mrs Rawlins or Mr Tull in cases of financial difficulty. We are offering a choice of payment options to enable you to spread the cost of the trip. You may, of course, pay the whole amount in one go if you prefer. We ask that everyone pays a deposit of £50 by the end of December 2021, before we break up for Christmas. You could then pay 6 more monthly payments (from Jan - June 2022) of £37.50, which would then cover the payment of £275. Alternatively, you could pay the £50 deposit by December and then settle the balance of £225 before the end of June 2022. Please note that payments need to be made online through PAY360. Do contact Mrs Black in the school office (email address: finance@arbury.cambs.sch.uk) if you have any problems doing this, as we are not able to accept cash payments any more.*

Please do not hesitate also to let us know of any issues which you think might arise for your child. A residential trip is a very exciting event, but we do realise that some children (and parents/carers) will, quite naturally, have anxieties. We will do all we can to ease these and answer any questions at the meeting on Monday 4th July.

Thank you for your continued support.
Miss Joomun, Mrs Dowdall and Mrs Morris