

Information Overview for Year 6 Residential to Isle of Wight

Dear Parents,

RE: IOW RESIDENTIAL 16TH – 20TH JULY

It is now 4 weeks until the Class 6 trip to the Isle of Wight and I know there will be some trepidation as well as lots of excitement among both children and parents! Building on their previous year's residential to Youlbury, this trip will be just as productive and successful!

In addition to this information overview sheet, there will be an information pack that you will need about the trip, which includes confidential forms for you to complete and return. Please share this information and packing with your child

Dates/Times

On Monday 16th July, children will need to come into school at normal time, ready to depart promptly at 9am.

Children will need a lightweight everyday backpack (not with cord straps as they can rub) with their packed lunch in disposable packaging, and a refillable water bottle with them. We will have lunch at a convenient time and place while visiting the HMS Victory.

On Friday 20th July, the coach will be leaving the Isle of Wight at in order to catch the 10am ferry so we should be back around 1pm, when you are requested to collect your child. If, due to traffic, we are to be considerably later, parents will be contacted from the school office.

Room shares

The rooms at The Roseberry Hotel are based on 4 or 6 sharing a room (each with an en-suite shower room). Children will be given an opportunity to write down 3 people (of the same gender!) who they would be happy sharing a room with. We will then guarantee that they will be sharing with at least one of these people. Room allocations will be notified **only** when we are at the hotel.

Behaviour

We expect Crowmarsh pupils to show excellent behaviour whilst on school trips as they are representing their school; they are guests at the hotel. We would not wish to jeopardise our being welcome at The Roseberry in the future, as we have an excellent relationship with the proprietors. We therefore expect both parent and child to sign and return the attached Code of Conduct to ensure that the children understand their boundaries and expectations. You will be provided with two copies; one to be signed and returned to school.

Food

Please let me know if you have any particular dietary requirement, preferably via the confidential medical form or email: office.3200@crowmarsh-gifford.oxon.sch.uk.

Medical

Please fill in the attached medical form to make us aware of any health concerns. Please also include on this any night-time issues that we need to know about, e.g. night terrors, sleep talking/walking, home-sickness or anything else that may disturb their sleep, or the sleep of the other children in their room. Please also let us know about any possibility of travel sickness.

Below is a suggested list of things to take on the residential. When deciding what to bring, please consider the following:

- The children will have to carry their own luggage!
- Be prepared for cold and/or wet weather as well as hot and/or sunny weather.

- All belongings need to be clearly named.
- The children will be participating in outdoor/adventurous activities – **it is not advisable to bring 'best' clothes.**

Clothes

- Nightclothes
- A minimum of 5 pairs of socks and underwear (plus spares!)
- Outdoor trousers/shorts
- 5-6 x T-shirts – **at least one long sleeved**
- 1-2 x Sweatshirts
- Waterproof jacket
- Waterproof over-trousers (optional)
- Sun hat

Shoes

- comfy everyday trainers
- Old trainers (spare pair)
- Slippers/indoor shoes (optional)

Toiletries

- 2 x towel (1 x indoor, 1 x smallish beach)
- Toothbrush
- Toothpaste
- Soap/shower gel
- Shampoo
- Sponge/flannel
- Hairbrush/comb
- Hair ties
- Sun cream

Miscellaneous

- Drinking bottle – **essential – non leaking**
- Reading book
- Small, travel-size game (optional)
- Plastic bag/bin liner (for dirties/wet clothes)
- Small rucksack – not string straps as they can cut into shoulders.
- A packed lunch (to eat on Monday 16th July) in throwaway packaging.

Personal Medicines

These must be clearly named with instructions for administration and these **must** be given in to the Mrs Bowden first thing on Monday 16th July. We will take with us any medication that we already have in school (inhalers etc.) and a full first aid kit.

Please DO NOT bring:

- Mobile phones
- Electronics
- Anything of value.

Emergencies

Contact with your child during their residential is best refrained from because it can exaggerate homesickness issues and does not enhance the whole independent residential experience. If you need to make contact with your child, this will be done initially via the school office during working hours or via the school mobile phone: **07850 796 494**. Please do not phone the hotel.

If you have any further questions/concerns that you wish to speak about in private, please make a private appointment or catch me in playground before the start of the school day.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

Mr A Silvester