



Year 6 Residential Trip at Hindleap Warren
Monday 15th – Wednesday 17th April 2024



Dear Year 6 Families

In April 2024, Year 6 will be going on their annual residential trip to Hindleap Warren. We have been trying to arrange a residential with this centre for some years now, which has been difficult to date, as it is extremely popular with many of our local schools. So we are very excited to tell you that we have been able to secure a group booking.

Hindleap Warren is a purpose built outdoor centre, meaning it is safe, comfortable and secure. All under one big roof, and set in a captivating corner of the Ashdown Forest.

Their incredible staff are on call 24/7 and their job is to do whatever they can to make our trip as brilliant as it could possibly be! Their mission is for each and every child to have the time of their lives.

Operated by London Youth, they welcome around 10,000 children and young people every year.

In previous years, Year 6 have gone to Blacklands Farm, but sadly, at this point it is likely to close down in December 2023, as it is one of 5 sites owned by the Girl Guides, across the UK having to being sold off.

At Hindleap Warren, the activities are designed to be challenging and varied, involving team work and some working at height. To get the most out of the trip the children need to be prepared to have a go, even if they find things difficult. They will always be encouraged to take part but never forced to. For the children, this is often one of the highlights of Year 6. Here are some of the activities on offer.

Adventurous Activities include: High Ropes, Climbing Wall, Abseiling Tower, Zip Wire, Obstacle Course and Forrest Adventure.

Experience Activities include: Archery, Bushcraft, Survival Skills and Pioneering.

Team Building Activities include: Jacobs Ladder, Crate Stack Challenge and Orienteering.

Environmental Activities include: Looking for evidence of the flora and fauna that exists in the Ashdown Forest, Pond Dipping - Taking a survey of the aquatic life in our pond and identifying what is found. Examining the food chains that make up the natural environment around Hindleap Warren. Earth Walks - Looking at the forest using our five senses and enjoying fun games that help us see the woodland from a different perspective

You are invited to a **meeting after school on Thursday 12th October 2024**, which we encourage parents and children to attend. The meeting lasts approximately 20 - 30 minutes. It will give you the chance to have any questions answered by the Year 6 team. The cost of the residential will be £260, which will include transport by coach, food, accommodation, activities and insurance. You can make payments for this on your Parent Pay accounts. The first payment is a non-refundable deposit of £90.

FUNDING

If you feel you are eligible for funding support or you are not in a position to put the full deposit down, please do make enquires about this by emailing;

katenewman@hovejun.brighton-hove.sch.uk

You can collect a Funding application form from the front office. One of the criteria is, your child must have lived in Brighton & Hove for at least two years to be eligible. Please complete and return it to the school office a.s.a.p. The return deadline is the 8th December. Decisions by the charity will be made in March 2024 and any funding received will not be until April 2024. Generally, in the past, families who apply do get financial support, so it is certainly worth completing the form. The maximum you can apply for is £200.

The payment amounts and their due dates are as follows:

1 st deposit (non-returnable)	£90	By 31 st October 2023
2 nd instalment	£85	By 31 st January 2024
Final instalment	£85	By 29 th February 2024

(These amounts can be paid at any time before the due dates and can be in instalments or in full on your Parent Pay account.) To ensure your child goes on this trip, the full amount must be paid by the 29th February 2024.

Finally, if you are interested in helping out on this trip as a volunteer, please email;

katenewman@hovejun.brighton-hove.sch.uk

Without the support of our volunteers, we would not be able to run these residential trips.

We look forward to seeing you on 12th October, in the hall from 3.30pm.

Many thanks

Keith Kelsey and the Year 6 Team

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