



June

Dear Parents or Guardians,

Welcome back! We hope you have had a happy half term break. I am sure that many of you will be getting excited about our trip to Potheridge house next week. Hopefully you are all getting organised ready to go!

Here are some final details about our visit to Great Potheridge House.

Please could you check that:

- Your child has all the items on the kit list– they are essential. All items should be clearly named. If possible, bringing clothing and other kit in a suitcase is better than a holdall as they fit under the beds, enabling children to keep all their kit together. **Reminder: Luggage should be no bigger than 67cmx 45cm x 25cm** – otherwise we will not fit all of the luggage on the coach.
- Please ensure that t-shirts have short sleeves/long sleeves, ideally a mix of both, not vest types (in case of sunburn/scraping when rock climbing).
- Your child will need a packed lunch and drink, no fizzy drinks please, for the Monday lunchtime.
- Pocket money - no more than £10, in coins, and in a named wallet/purse.
- No mobile phones, smart watches, fitbits or other electronic devices are brought on the trip.
- Any medication is labelled with your child's name, placed inside a clear sandwich bag and **handed in to staff** on Monday 8th June. **Only blue inhalers or epipens should be with children.**
- The children only require lunch for Monday; all other foodstuffs will be provided by Potheridge. There is nowhere suitable for us to store extra tuck and food. Please could you ensure that you avoid any foods which contain nuts. In previous years we have had children who have kept sweets in their luggage and eaten so much that they have made themselves sick and had to be sent home.
- Please avoid bringing jewellery.
- Remember your child will need to be responsible for all of their belongings, staff will not be able to 'look after' things for them, so please do not bring anything sentimental or valuable. It is helpful if children help with their packing, it can help them to identify their own things when packing for our return journey!

- As previously explained, we would recommend checking the details of your travel insurance to ensure it covers this trip, as should they need to be sent home once there, we will not be able to issue a refund at this point.

Please bring your child onto the top playground at 07:45, via the park gate (no earlier please due to coach arrival) on Monday 8th June so that we can pack the coach and leave as soon as possible. Your child may bring a small amount of sweets (not chocolate), comics, paper/pencil for the journey.

We will inform school upon arrival at Potheridge; the school will notify you by the text messaging service.

We expect to return to school on Friday 12th June around 13:00hrs.

We will keep school informed of any traffic delays and where possible the text messaging service will be used to inform you of the details. Please note children will need to be collected from school; **they will not be able to walk home on their own**. Throughout the week we will endeavour, to give you general updates about our day via text messages from the office, however the signal is very sporadic. Once the children return home, we are sure they will have lots of amazing stories to share with you once they have caught up on some sleep! Be assured that should we need to contact you in person we will do so.

The **emergency contact number** for the centre is 01805 603003. This number is for **emergencies** only. The children will not be phoning home as they will be so busy with all of the activities. If we feel it is necessary, we will contact you.

Please contact us if you have any further queries.

Yours sincerely,
The Year Six Team