

Whitehill Junior School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Overstrand Residential 26th – 28th May 2021

We normally have a parent meeting to introduce you the Year 4 School Journey to Overstrand. As we cannot do that this year, we have recorded a virtual meeting for you to watch. You can find it on the school website in the "Other Resources" section under the "Parent Info" menu. We have also created a FAQ document to help answer some of your questions. This document can be found in the same place.

If you have any other questions regarding the trip, please email them to consult@whitehill.herts.sch.uk

We will be staying at Overstrand Hall in Norfolk for two nights and three days. We will be taking part in a range of activities which will promote confidence and team building skills. Following last year's stay we are confident that the children will have a fantastic experience here.

Accommodation

Rooms sleep between 6-10. Boys and girls sleep in separate dormitories. Children are never far from an adult during the night.

Transport

Transport is provided by Cozy Travel and is included in the cost.

Activities

Activities could include: Team Building, Laser, Rock Pooling, Bush craft, Abseiling, Nightline, Rock Climbing, Low Ropes, Caving, Orienteering and Beach Games.

Food

- ❖ Breakfast
- ❖ Cooked lunch
- ❖ Cooked dinner

Vegetarians, vegans and special diets are all catered for. Please let us know in advance if your child has any special dietary needs.

Health and Safety

The site is regularly inspected by a Health and Safety Executive. Kingswood instructors are given intensive training and are fully qualified for their role, DBS checked and accredited to UK standards.

Purpose for going

Children:

- ❖ Develop an inner confidence
- ❖ Develop social skills
- ❖ Develop team building skills



- ❖ Experience new and exciting activities
- ❖ Learn to organize themselves

Costs

The cost will be £235 per person. This price includes two nights’ accommodation, trained supervision for activities, food and transport and hoodie. The £50 deposit must be made by 2nd November by 9:00am. You are able to pay via School Gateway or by sending cash or cheque made payable to Whitehill School. The School Gateway is our preferred method of payment. Please make sure that the reply slip below is returned to school by 2nd November.

Financial Assistance

Hitchin Youth Trust (HYT) have been hugely supportive of the school in past years offering financial help **towards** the costing of the trip, for those who feel their child would otherwise be unable to attend. They do request a contribution towards the trip and a referral from the school. Should you feel you have a genuine application, please do not hesitate to contact me however due to limited places please collect a form from the office and make sure it is returned by 9am 28th September. We have the forms available in the school office. Application does not guarantee you a place on the trip as we will need to wait for a funding decision from the trust before we can confirm your place and you **must** pay the £50 deposit before 2nd November. If this is a problem, please do not hesitate to speak to Mrs Cook in the school office.

Program of payment

We will be requiring further payments as follows: £65 on 23rd November, £60 on 19th February and 8th March. However, if you would rather make smaller more regular payments or pay the full amount this is not a problem.

We are looking forward to an exciting trip.

Yours sincerely

Mr Glenn Denney & Mrs Sophie Davies

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Child’s Name Class

- Please delete as appropriate.

I would like to reserve a place for my child to go to Overstrand and I have paid a **non-refundable** deposit of £50.

- I enclose a cheque for £_____ made payable to ‘Whitehill Junior School’
- I enclose cash of £_____
- I have paid £_____ through School Gateway

SignedParent / Guardian

