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Dear Mums, Dads and Carers,

RE: Borwick Hall Visits- Autumn 2021

Following our hugely successful and enjoyable visits last year, we have organised for every child in Years 1 - 6 to attend Borwick Hall Outdoor Centre in the coming weeks.

<https://www.lancashire.gov.uk/outdooreducation/our-centres/borwick-hall/>

The centre is run by Lancashire County Council and the visit is in line with current government guidance.

Why are the children going?

- At Willow Lane, we believe that outdoor centres and the activities they offer provide brilliant PE experiences for our children. They also offer fantastic opportunities for the children to develop independence, teamwork skills and confidence.

Is there a cost with this trip?

- The governors, knowing the importance of experiences and trips for our children and recognising the additional challenges families have been under, have agreed to fund this trip from within the school budget.

What activities will they be doing?

- Each class will be split in to three groups for their activities and take part in a range of activities. These activities may include the climbing wall, team building, bushcraft, canoeing, bell boats, archery and high ropes. Indigo and Violet classes will also leave Borwick Hall site by mini-bus to participate in adventurous activities in the local area, including hiking and caving. Every activity will be led by a qualified instructor and each group will be supervised by an adult from school.

How will the children be kept safe?

- Only one class will attend on each day. The class will travel on their own coach, have their own area and activities at the centre and not mix with other schools. Each class will have a ratio of adults in line with our policy and the trip has been risked assessed and this has been checked by Lancashire County Council.
- Coach companies have their own risk assessments and the coach will have been cleaned beforehand for our children.



- At the centre, our children will have their activities led by experienced outdoor activity staff.

What will my child need to wear/bring?

- Children will need to wear outdoor clothes e.g. tracksuit, hoody and trainers.
- They will need to bring a coat in case of wet weather.
- Children will need to bring a packed lunch or order a school packed lunch (ham, cheese or tuna sandwich).
- All specialist outdoor equipment will be provided by the centre.

When are they going?

Children will leave school after morning register and return to school around 3.30 pm.

- Y1 Orange Class: Wednesday 29th September 2021
- Y2 Yellow Class: Monday 20th September 2021
- Y3 Green Class: Wednesday 22nd September 2021
- Y4 Blue Class: Friday 1st October 2021
- Y5 Indigo Class: Thursday 30th September 2021
- Y6 Violet Class: Friday 24th September 2021

How will I give permission and order lunches?

To give permission and let us know about packed lunches, parents/carers need to text school via the T2P system using the following approach:

‘Child’s Name, Class, Packed lunch option’

Example:

Lucy Naylor, Violet Class, School Packed Lunch Ham

Or

Duncan Webster, Yellow Class, Home Packed Lunch

Please send your text on or before Thursday 16th September 2021. This allows us to finalise group numbers and order school lunches ready for the visits. If you have any questions about the visit, please contact school and we will be happy to help.

Thank you for all your continued support,

Duncan Webster
Deputy Headteacher

