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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 5/6 Residential – 3-5 June 2026

We hope your child is looking forward to the residential.

Please find enclosed a copy of the kit list for your information.

As a reminder, the children need to arrive at school at normal time on Wednesday 3 June. They will be travelling to Penshurst Place at approximately 9:15am by coach. Please note, we cannot hold the coach for any latecomers. We will be in touch via the EduSpot App/text message to confirm that the children have arrived at the camp site.

The children will be split across 4 tents at night and 2 tribes for the daytime activities. All activities are being led by Bushcraft staff. Their staff will be sleeping outdoors in between the children's tents. Our staff will be in separate tents on site.

The children are being picked up at 2:00pm on Friday 5 June from Penshurst Place and are due back here in time for a normal school pick up. We will be in touch on the day though to confirm they have left the campsite and when they arrive at school.


If your child has an asthma pump in school, this will be taken on the trip and kept with St Mary's staff. If your child requires any other medicine whilst they are away, e.g. hay fever medication, please complete the form attached and return it to the school office by Monday 1 June together with the medication.

Mrs Davison, Mrs Sepet and Mrs Kennedy will be accompanying the children on the trip. Mrs Kennedy will update our Facebook page with photos as much as possible.

Please visit the Bushcraft website to familiarise yourself with the activities offered and the information that was shared when we originally booked this trip: <https://thebushcraftcompany.com>.

If you have any questions before the residential or whilst the children are away, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely


Amanda McGarrigle
Headteacher

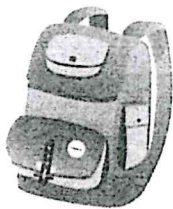
Enc – Kit List, Medication Form



PACKING FOR YOUR ADVENTURE

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Below you can find our recommended kit list for the students and staff. We stress that it is not necessary to go out and buy all new and expensive kit for a trip with us as you may be able to borrow some items from friends or family. Please remember to pack enough though for a fresh change of clothing each day. Students will be without their main luggage for a few hours while it is transported to camp.



DAY BACKPACK

(To carry the essentials)

- Jumper or fleece
- Waterproof Jacket
- Medications (labelled with clear instructions on the application/use and dosage required)
- Water bottles or hydration system
- Alcohol hand gel
- Torch (with fresh batteries) – a head torch is ideal
- Sun cream (weather dependent)
- Sun hat (weather dependent)



MAIN LUGGAGE

(Transported to camp on a trailer)

- Warm sleeping bag
- Roll mat
- Tracksuit or hardwearing trousers
- T-shirts
- Waterproof trousers
- Socks and underwear
- Pyjamas
- 2x pairs of footwear (e.g. walking boots and old trainers)
- Wash bag including toothbrush, toothpaste, soap and face wipers
- Towel(s)
- Wellington Boots (weather dependent)
- Warm hat, scarf and gloves (weather dependent)
- Thermal layers (weather dependent)

OPTIONAL ITEMS TO PACK

- Whistle
- Insect repellent
- Plastic bags for dirty/wet clothing/footwear
- Sleeping bag liner
- Pillow and pillowcase
- Rucksack liner

WHAT NOT TO BRING

Please don't bring food. To avoid the risk of expensive items being lost or damaged, please do not bring electrical equipment or other expensive technology with you. The Bushcraft Company is not responsible for any items lost on camp. We will endeavour to locate any missing items however we are not liable if the item is not found. Lost items found on camp after your departure will be sent back to Head Office and kept for 3 months.

CONTACT US

If anyone wishes to contact The Bushcraft Company, they can do by email: info@thebushcraftcompany.com or phone **03332 000 612**. Please do also keep up to date with our latest news, blogs, photos and videos on:

 www.twitter.com/bushcraftonline

 www.pinterest.com/thebushcraftco

 www.facebook.com/thebushcraftcompany

 www.instagram.com/thebushcraftcompany

Parental Agreement for School to Administer Medicine

The school will be unable to give your child medicine unless you complete and sign this form

Date	
Child's name	
Child's class	
Medical condition or illness	
Name and strength of medicine	
Expiry date	
How much to be given	
When to be given	
Are there any side effects that the school needs to know about?	
Is your child to administer the medicine themselves?	Yes No
Number of tablets/quantity to be given to school	

Note: Medicines must be in the original container as dispensed by the pharmacy

Daytime phone number of parent/adult contact	
Name and phone number of Doctor	
Agreed review date	

I accept that this is a service that the school is not obliged to undertake. I understand that I must notify the school of any changes to my child's medication or medical condition in writing.

Parent's/Carer's Signature: _____

Parent's/Carer's Name: _____

Date: _____

If more than one medicine is to be given a separate form should be completed for each one