Y6 THORNBRIDGE RESIDENTIAL VISIT INFORMATION 2019



11th-13th September (J10) 16th-18th September (J12) 18th-20th September (J11)

Thornbridge Outdoors

At Hunter's Bar Junior School we have been running a successful residential experience for over 13 years to Thornbridge Outdoors Centre. The residential experience for each child covers 2 nights with 3 days of activities.

The centre is situated at Great Longstone in Derbyshire and has extensive grounds. The centre meets or exceeds all current DFES/LEA safety legislation / guidelines and all activities are fully risk assessed. Ed Allaway, the centre manager, is also the Educational Visits Leader for Sheffield Education Authority.

The children are accommodated in Wyedale Farm in delightful, single-sex rooms in groups of 2 to 6 with access to excellent washing, showering and toilet facilities. We will be self-catering and the children will be expected to help in the preparation and clearing of meals. We will be able to cater for individual dietary requirements.

Activities

Some of the activities are run by school staff who are qualified to do so, others are run by the instructors at Thornbridge.

The activities that are planned for:

- Sky ropes
- Low ropes
- Thornbridge Challenge (team building)
- Climbing wall
- Night line
- Canoeing
- Orienteering
- Problem solving

In extreme cases, .e.g. adverse weather, activities may have to be changed. The Instructors at Thornbridge reserve the right to make this decision based on a risk assessment at the time.

Staffing

Members of school staff (including trained first aiders) will accompany each group of pupils. All staff at Thornbridge, including instructors, are fully first-aid trained. There will be both male and female staff.

The Cost

This includes accommodation, food, all activities, waterproof coats, wellington boots, safety helmets and harnesses, qualified instructors at Thornbridge and coach transport. No child will be excluded on the basis of inability to pay: if there are issues around this please come and speak to Mrs Ardern. Your situation will be dealt with in the utmost confidence.

Insurance

The school has taken out insurance through the City Council's Insurance Fund. Part of this covers Off Site Activities for staff, children and volunteers:-

- Personal Accident
- Medical

- Travel and Cancellation expenses
- Personal property and money cover

Further details regarding insurance can be obtained by contacting the school office or by phoning the Local Authority.

Child welfare

We will ask you to complete a form giving details of any medical, dietary or other special needs, which may affect your child. This information will be treated in the strictest confidence. Please do not hesitate to let us know of anything, no matter how apparently trivial, which we can do to enhance your child's residential experience.

We do hope that all children will take part. This is part of the children's curriculum entitlement and more importantly a fantastic opportunity to spend time away with their peers building and strengthening relationships; developing independence; self-reliance and self-esteem through challenge, communication and collaboration.

