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18th June 2024

Re: Edgemond Hall- Monday 24<sup>th</sup>- Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June 24

Dear Parents,

I hope all your children are excited for the school residential to Edgemond Hall in Shropshire on Monday.

Below are just a few reminders ahead of the visit to ensure you are all prepared and ready:

## Staffing

For the residential the following staff will be attending over the course of the week:

- Mrs Johnson- HT- Visit Leader and Safeguarding Lead attending all week
- Miss Orgill- Assistant Visit Leader Y3 Teacher attending all week
- Mrs Day- SEND Assistant and Safeguarding Lead attending Mon- Weds
- Miss Court- Y4 Teacher- attending Weds- Friday
- Mrs Marsh- TA and First Aider attending all week
- Miss Dickinson- TA and First Aider attending all week

### Day of departure

The children will need to arrive at school on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> June at normal time-8:30am prompt.

Children are to come into school via the main office entrance to drop their bags/suitcases and then go to their classrooms as normal for registration. Children should wear their own clothes on this day.

We will be departing school at 9:00am prompt, if any parents would like to come and wave their child off.

On the day of departure, children will need to bring a packed lunch to eat when we arrive at Edgemond Hall. Please make sure this is clearly labelled with your child's name. Please all ensure they bring a refillable water bottle.

# Spending money

There is a shop to purchase souvenirs if your child wishes to, but we ask that you send no more than £5 with your child. Please can this be put in an envelope, wallet,







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purse clearly marked with your child's name. Money will be collated in on the morning of the visit and stored safely until your child needs to use it at the shop during the visit.

#### Food

Children will have dinner on the Monday evening, then breakfast, lunch and an evening meal each day. On Friday, the children will have lunch before departing. All meals have been chosen by the children based on a vote. The children have chosen the following evening meals:

- Fish fingers and wedges
- Sausage and mash
- Roast chicken dinner
- Pasta and garlic bread

Please note any children who have dietary requirements and whose parents have already contacted me will have meals tailored to their needs.

#### Medication

If your child needs to take any medication on the visit this should be clearly labelled with their name and a medical form completed and attached to the medication. All medication should be given to the school office on the morning of the visit by a parent/guardian. If you require a medication form please email the school office.

## Returning to school

We will be leaving Edgemond Hall at approximately 1:00pm on the Friday and aim to be back at school around 2:30pm. A text will be sent when we depart with an expected ETA.

#### Kit List

This list is based on a 4-night stay – please adjust accordingly for the length of visit:

# Please pack a backpack with these things that children will need every day outside:

- ✓ Wellies for wearing outside (bring in a plastic bag)- this can be outdoor shoes or walking boots
- √ Coat or / and Waterproof Jacket / Waterproof Trousers
- √ Thick socks
- √ Hat, Scarf, and Gloves; or Sunhat and Sun Cream
- ✓ Water Bottle







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✓ Torch - optional

## Please pack all other items in a small suitcase or bag.

- ✓ Towel
- ✓ Wash kit (shower gel, toothpaste and toothbrush)
- ✓ Sleepwear
- ✓ Underwear and socks
- √ Slippers for the bedroom if you want
- ✓ 5 x t-shirts / long sleeved t-shirts
- √ 4 x jumpers / fleece or warm long-sleeved tops
- √ 4 x long trousers
- ✓ 2 x old trainers, arrive wearing one
- ✓ Plastic bags for dirty clothing
  - 1. Please make sure your child can carry their bag.
  - 2. It's a good idea to pack together so they know what's going in the bags.
  - 3. Please ensure all belongings are clearly labelled.
  - 4. The centre provides all the bedding. However, some children like to bring their own pillowcase or single duvet cover; in some cases, the connection with home can help them settle in.

### **Activities**

Mrs Bruntlett and I have worked with the centre to plan and organise the activities. The children will be taking part in the following:

Day	Morning		Afternoon		Evening
Mon	Depart school for arrival at Edgmond at 10.30am  Welcome, introduction	4	a)+b) Shelters and Fires c)+d) Team Challenges	g Meal	Orienteering
Tue	and settle in.  a) The Wrekin Hill Walk b) Digital Photography c) Archery / Blind Line d) Blind Line / Archery	Lunch	a) Digital Photography b) The Wrekin Hill Walk c) Pond Dip d) Pond Dip	Evening	Games Night
Wed					







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	a) Archery / Blind Line b) Blind Line / Archery c) The Wrekin Hill Walk d) Digital Photography	a) Pond Dip b) Pond Dip c) Digital Photography d) The Wrekin Hill Walk	Campfire
Thur	a)+b) Team Challenges c) +d) Village Explore + Drawing	a)+b) Village Explore+ Drawing c) +d) Shelters and Fires	Woodland Memory Box Nature Art
Fri	Pack and Tidy before 8am All – in table teams Tribal Lands Quest Challenge	Lunch 12.15pm Departure 1.00pm	

Children will be working in activity groups of 12 (two groups of six based) during the visit. Groups are mixed to ensure a range of boy/girl, Y5/6 ratio to encourage the children to mix with different individuals they may not usually play with.

Allocations for dormitories have been selected based on child preference. Each child has selected three children they would like to be with. We always endeavour to ensure your child is with one child from their list. We don't share this ahead of the visit, but please be reassured everything has been considered to ensure your child feels happy and secure during the visit.

If parents have spoken to me about reasonable requests, this has been accommodated.

Do not hesitate to contact me, if you have any questions or concerns and we look forward to the visit on Monday.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Natasha Johnson Headteacher



