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Dear Year 6 Parents

We are writing to you with a few details regarding your child's residential visit to **Osmington Bay from Monday 9th – Friday 13th July.**

### **Equipment List**

The following should be used as a guide to the type of clothes required for a week at Osmington Bay. The vast majority of the activities require long sleeves/trousers/socks – so please do ensure these are packed even if we experience a tropical summer! PGL staff are not permitted to let children take part in activities unless the correct clothing is worn. On site activities will continue in poor weather conditions, so it is important that your child brings sufficient **warm** and **waterproof** clothing. It is also important to remember that clothing and footwear will get wet and dirty during some of the activities so plenty of changes are needed.

Children should bring **one** small/medium sized suitcase or holdall each. *Ideally they must be able to carry, or pull, this suitcase on their own as there is usually a short walk from the coach car park to the lodges.*

### **Bedding**

PGL charge a small additional fee for bedding, which we have included in the trip costing, so your child will not need to bring any with them.

### **Clothes**

5 pairs of trousers/cords/joggers suitable for outside activities (NOT jeans please)  
At least 4 long sleeved T-shirts/tops  
3/4 T-shirts (NOT vest tops – shoulders must be covered)  
2/3 pairs shorts  
2/3 sweat-shirts/fleeces (including one very warm one for evenings)  
Sufficient underwear and socks for the week (plus at least 5 pairs of long socks)  
Nightclothes  
Waterproof jacket/cagoule (a normal coat is not sufficient)  
Waterproof trousers (if you have them)  
Disco clothes (eg jeans)  
Swimming costume  
Sunhat

### **Footwear**

Several pairs of trainers/plimsolls/sturdy walking shoes (these may get very wet and/or muddy on some activities)  
Wellingtons and/or walking boots

Please note: most activities specifically forbid the wearing of open-toed shoes, so no sandals/Tevas please.

### **Toiletries**

Toilet bag including: flannel, soap, toothbrush, toothpaste, shampoo, hairbrush etc (Roll-on deodorant – **not spray** please as it sets the fire alarms off)

2 towels

Also required: sunhat; suncream/sunblock; named plastic drink bottle; plastic bin liner for wet/dirty clothes; small daypack; one, small cuddly toy!

**PLEASE NOTE: Mobile telephones, radios, electronic games, MP3 players etc are not permitted.**

Although there is a small shop on site, the range of souvenirs is limited. A maximum of £10, in a named purse, is suggested but children will need to be responsible for this money. Children may bring ONE bag of sweets to share for the week (not chocolate items please as they tend to melt), and in order to ensure a healthy week we will not allow access to vending machines or further purchases of confectionary items. Please support us with this and refrain from packing additional items: a healthy diet is necessary for your child to get the best out of the opportunities on the trip and there is ample food choices available in the dining hall.

Please ensure that **all** items belonging to your child are **NAMED**. Children will be expected to take responsibility for the care of their belongings and whilst we recognise some may wish to take cameras, we strongly advise that items of high value are not taken to the centre.

Stud earrings, whilst tolerated at school, are best left at home for this trip – as are **all** other items of jewellery such as necklaces and wrist bands. Children are not permitted to wear any jewellery what-so-ever during activities for safety reasons. A watch is permissible but must be removed for all activities.

### **Medical**

Please complete and return the Residential Consent/Health form **as soon as possible** but by 17<sup>th</sup> May at the latest. Please read each section carefully and provide the information requested **e.g. your child's NHS number is required**, and can be obtained from your GP surgery if you do not already know it. If your child has specific medical needs, please discuss these with us before the day of departure. The information you provide is treated in confidence, but shared with St Mary's and PGL staff as necessary, to ensure the safety and well-being of your child while away from home.

Any prescribed medicines your child may require during the stay will need to be clearly named and labelled with instructions and handed to Pascale on the day of departure. Children will not be allowed to keep medicines in their rooms. The exception to this will be inhalers as children will be expected to carry these with them at all times (but should still be clearly named).

If your child has not slept away from home before, please could you let us know on the bottom of this medical form as it helps us to be aware of who might find this more

challenging. It would be helpful if you could arrange some “sleep over” opportunities with friends before July so that they are able to manage four nights away with just friends and teachers, without becoming too homesick.

**And finally...**

If you have yet to pay your final balance, we would appreciate it if you could do this by 31<sup>st</sup> May 2018 please.

Children will not be put into mixed groups for the daytime activities or consulted about sleeping arrangements until nearer departure, once we know which chalets we have been allocated. However, please be aware that the class teacher retains the right to make the final decision in this respect, and to move children during the week if their behaviour makes this necessary – we obviously hope it won't!

Should your mobile phone number/emergency contact details change before departure, ensure you update us too please! In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any further questions or concerns.

Yours sincerely

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