

Dear Parents and Carers,

Tuesday 20 February 2024

As some of you may be aware, in Year 5 the children are given the opportunity to go on residential to Robinwood. Robinwood is an outdoors pursuits centre based at Dobroyd Castle in Todmorden, West Yorkshire. Should your child attend, they will take part in approximately 15 different activities over 3 days including: canoeing, caving, raft building, climbing, archery, zipwire, trapeze and crate challenge. All safety equipment and waterproofs are provided for each activity. The children will sleep in one of 3 dormitory buildings where all bed linen is provided. The food on offer is great and there is plenty of it. All dietary requirements can be catered for.

Due to the current economic climate, I thought it may benefit you to know about the residential even though this isn't going to take place for two years (April 2026). Next year's cost is still to be confirmed and will be in the region of £325 and I hope that the cost of your child's residential will be a similar price. The residential is a three-day residential which includes, transport, accommodation, food and all activities. If you would potentially like your child to go on the residential and would like to make payments from now until the residential you will be able to do so on schoolcomms. This will be set up after the parent session detailed below. I hope that this option provides you with more flexibility. Any payments made in the next academic year, does not mean that your child has committed to attend the residential. Until the end of April 2025, all monies paid can be returned. After this date your child will be committed to attending the residential and the amount will have to be paid in full (See example payment schedule below that will begin in the summer term of Year 4). This payment schedule will be compulsory and will mean that your child is defiantly going on the residential.

Please note that school is unable to subsidise the residential, therefore should there not be enough uptake then the residential will not be able to go ahead.

Example Payment schedule that will begin in the summer term of Year 4.

Payment can be made in full at any time. Each payment MUST be made by the specified date. All monies paid is Non-refundable this is due to the payment schedule set by Robinwood.

Deposit £45 due by Friday 25 April 2025	5th payment £45 by Friday 26 September
2nd payment £45 by Friday 30 May	6th payment £45 by Friday 31 October
3rd payment £45 by Friday 27 June	7th payment £45 by Friday 28 November
4th payment £45 by Friday 25 July	No payment in December
No payment in August	Final payment approximately £10 by Friday 30 January – this will be adjusted accordingly to 2025 prices and uptake.

I will be holding a parent meeting on Thursday 21 March at 2.15pm to share further information and answer any questions that you may have.

Many thanks for your continued support,

Mrs Leeann Little