

BROOKFIELD JUNIOR SCHOOL

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PGL Residential Trip – 22nd – 24th May 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

As some of you may well be aware, we made the decision this year to make this our final year to the Isle of Wight. Whilst it has been a great trip for the Year 6's (and been so for a huge number of years), we felt that it was time for a change and to provide an alternate trip that would offer a different focus.

The option that we went for is PGL, which many of you have probably heard of. This caters for challenge, teamwork and social development, doing so through activities such as zip-wires, rock climbing and giant swings.

I am pleased to say that there are a limited number of places still available for this trip and I would like to offer them to the current Year 4. It is a wonderful experience for the children and is something that, through personal experience of having been for the past 5 years, really allows the children to flourish and face challenges that they may otherwise not encounter.

Therefore, to quote a letter that went out to Year 5:

What's it all about?

It's about having fun while taking part in all sorts of adventurous activities designed to help your child learn and develop new skills and really shine as an individual and also as part of a team. For many children this may be their first experience of staying away from home without you. PGL and Brookfield staff will be on hand throughout to encourage, reassure and help, so that your child returns home even more confident and independent with a real sense of achievement. We have chosen to book with PGL because not only do they offer excellent value but they also have a reassuring 60 years of experience organising trips for schools. Their extremely high standards ensure that your child will be in safe hands at all times. I would advise you to visit PGL's website www.pgl.co.uk to find out more about the company and the location we will be visiting.

What does it cost?

The cost per child is £299 which can be paid in instalments prior to the trip. The trip does not include the cost of coach hire. Fundraising activities will be organised to cover the cost of this. The cost includes:

- A full daily programme of adventure activities
- Fun evening entertainment
- All meals and accommodation
- Full comprehensive travel insurance (details available on request or enclosed)

There are no extras, however if you wish, you can provide a small amount of pocket money for your child to spend in the gift shop.

What do I need to do next?

If you would like your child to go on the trip, please complete and return the reply slip, together with an initial deposit of £80 by Monday 10th September 2018. We are pleased to be offering an online payment system – please wait to receive your text and email with your log in details.

Further payments will be required as outlined below:

• £80 by Monday 29th October 2018

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• £80 by Thursday 31st January 2019

• £59 by Friday 22nd March 2019

These instalments MUST be paid by the dates set out above. If these payments could cause you any difficulty please contact the school office to arrange a meeting with me to discuss your circumstances. Please note that once the trip is confirmed as going ahead and your deposits have been paid to PGL they are not refundable and terms and conditions will apply.

This trip is open to all children, however if your child's behaviour in school is not to the high standards we expect, the Senior Leadership Team may decide your child should not be allowed to participate.

This really is a limited offer and will therefore be strictly first-come-first-served. The deadline is obviously readjusted for September, however once those spaces are gone, they are gone – so I would urge you to respond as soon as possible if you are interested.

Finally, if you think it is an expensive trip and would like further reassurance, please refer to the letter on the website under the Year 5 section called <u>PGL update 130618</u> - it provides an approximate break-down.

Should you have any questions whatsoever, please do not hesitate to ask me.

Yours sincerely

Mr N. South Head of School

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PGL Activity Residential Trip
Pupil's Name Class
I would like to reserve a place for my child on the PGL Activity trip
I have paid the £80 deposit online
I understand that once deposits have been paid to PGL they are non-refundable and that terms and conditions, including cancellation charges, will apply.
Signed Date (Parent/carer)

Please return to school by Monday 10thSeptember 2018

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