



James Bateman Junior High School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Year 5 visit to Laches Wood 2019

The time for our adventure is drawing even nearer and we are all looking forward to having an amazing yet exhausting week at Laches Wood. Now may be an appropriate time to start thinking about how you can help your children prepare for their residential trip. Therefore, attached to this letter you will find a kit list provided by Entrust. As it states, it will not be necessary for you to go out and buy lots of new and expensive things, as it is more than likely they will get wet and mucky at times. It will be ideal if children can wear old, comfortable clothing. Avoid jeans however, as once wet they can become very uncomfortable to wear. Any specialist or safety equipment needed will be provided by Laches Wood.

Please label all clothing with your child's name to try and help us to reduce the amount of lost property at the end of the week. They are staying in dormitories so will need a duvet cover and 2 pillowcases - sheets are provided. The children may be required to help carry their belongings off the coaches and to their dorms, so it is important that they are packed in a way that is easy for them to manage.

Laches Wood is a mobile phone free zone and any mobile phones that are taken will be kept by staff until we return to school. School staff will have a full list of contacts and contact home if necessary. Electronic games are also discouraged as we will accept no responsibility for these. We do however encourage children to bring along a book, magazine, pens and pencils for them to use in their free time.

Medical and consent forms will be handed out 14 days prior to the trip for guardians to complete. Any medication must be brought into school on the day that we leave - clearly **labelled** with the child's name and information on the dosage required. Children will be expected to keep their own reliever inhalers with them at all times; all other medication will be kept by the staff. Closer to the time, there will also be a list sent home of the planned activities and children will be given the opportunity to arrange their dormitories also, overseen by myself to ensure they are appropriate.

I will be available in school between 2:30pm and 4pm on Friday 1st March if you wish to speak to me about any aspects of the visit; alternatively please do not hesitate to contact myself at school.

Kind regards

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