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Moor House Residential & Simonside Activities

Dear Parents

Before I begin, can I thank you for your patience and understanding with the cancellation of Thurston at such short notice and your willingness to give us time to look at alternatives. This morning I have managed to speak to the majority of parents to explain the changes we have made - we think this new centre is a wonderful opportunity and will allow the children to still have a residential experience.

Cost:

The cost for the Moor House residential will be £166 per child. I am aware parents have paid £270.00 for Thurston, therefore before February half term, parents will receive a refund through ParentPay.

School will be paying for the activities at Simonside Outdoor Centre.

There is an onsite tuck shop, children can take a maximum of **£5.00** to spend in coins/change.

Practical Arrangements:

There are 29 children on this visit and they will be accompanied by Mrs Reed, Mrs Chrisp, Miss Clark and Miss Kane from school, along with the team of staff at Moor House Outdoor Centre. Mrs Watson will also be joining the children for the daytime activities and also during all of the activities at Simonside.

Week Timetable:

Day	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday 31.1.2022	Leave school at 9:10am – Moor House Activities	Moor House Activities	Moor House
Tuesday 1.2.2022	Moor House Activities	Moor House Activities	Moor House
Wednesday 2.2.2022	Moor House Breakfast Coach collect at 9am Simonside Outdoor Centre	Simonside Outdoor Centre	Return to school at 3:30pm – Sleep at home
Thursday 3.2.2022	Activities in school – wear own clothes – details to follow	Activities in school – wear own clothes – details to follow	Sleep at home



Friday 4.2.2022	Mini bus collect 9:30am – Simonside	Return to school – Pizza & Movie	Sleep at home
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Transport Arrangements:

On Monday morning, please arrive at school from 8:45am and come into the playground as normal. Children will then gather in their classroom ready for the bus leaving just after 9:00am. Adults are more than welcome to stay to wave the coach off but would need to remain on the roadside outside of school.

On Wednesday, the bus will leave Moor House around 9am and transport the children to Simonside Outdoor Centre. They will then return to school for around 3:30pm, so may be slightly late compared with normal pick-up.

On Friday, Simonside Mini-Buses will collect the children from school at around 9:30am, take them to the Centre and return the children to school at lunchtime.

Supervision of children:

Children will be supervised by school staff, as well as staff from Moor House. We would just like to emphasise some final points:

- **Children will need a packed lunch with a drink for the first day of their residential.**
- Other than this, children do not need to bring snacks. The Centre is fully catered for all meals.
- Children should not bring anything valuable on the trip as we cannot look after them and they can get lost or broken. Chewing gum is also banned at the Centre and on the coach.
- Marsden Primary School has an excellent reputation on school visits. We expect children to follow instructions and to behave sensibly at all times. If any child exhibits behaviour which is inappropriate or endangers the safety or enjoyment of other children, sanctions will be taken against them. Sanctions may include reviewing the possibility of children taking part in future visits arranged by school. In extreme cases arrangements may be made for children to be sent home and parents or guardians may be asked to bear the cost of this.
- Please look out for regular updates of photos during the visit on the school website where we will have a specific page.

Covid:

As you are aware, the number of covid cases in the area and within the school are forever changing. You have already signed a form to say that you will collect your child if they are poorly. Can I ask you to take care this weekend with the number of people your child is socialising with and can I also ask that you complete a LFD test on your child before they arrive at school on Monday to try and reduce the spread of the virus.

Electronic Items:

Mobile phones, ipods & electronic games must not be taken on this trip. They could get lost or damaged and present significant safeguarding issues. If you need to get in touch with your child in the event of an emergency, you



will need to contact the school telephone number or direct with the Centre. This is for the safety and well-being of the children. Children are not allowed to bring a camera with them, photographs will be taken by the staff and all of the photos will be shared with you once the children get home.

Kit List:

Required	Need	Got it
Any medication you may need		
Warm coat and waterproof jacket		
Waterproof trousers		
Three fleeces or jumpers		
Three pairs of trousers (tracksuit bottoms)		
Three pairs of warm socks		
Two sweatshirts		
Change of clothes for evenings		
Three T-Shirts		
Night clothes		
Wash kit		
Towel		
Underwear and regular socks (not trainer socks)		
One pair of old trainers for activities		
Torch and batteries		
One pair of indoor shoes or slippers		
Wool or fleece hat		
Gloves or mitts		
Wellington boots		
Drinks bottle		
Pens, pencils, notepad		
Bin bag to pack wet clothing or shoes		

If your child would like to bring their own sleeping bag, that would be great, if not the centre will provide. Could your child tell Mrs Watson if they are bringing their own sleeping bag.

Emergency Contact Details:

* School Number – 01915292040

* Moor House – 0191 5841703

Thank you for supporting us on this exciting residential visit. I hope your child is as excited as we are about the visit!

Kind Regards

Mrs Caroline Marshall

