

21st January 2010

Dear Parents

Visit 1: Mrs Dirks' Class: Monday, 22nd February - Friday, 26th February

Visit 2: Mr Hughes' Class: Monday, 1st March - Friday, 5th March

I am writing to provide you with more information about the Year 6 residential visit to Wales next month.

The staff accompanying the visits will be:

Visit 1: Mrs Dirks, Mr Cook, Mr Yeoman, Mrs Collins, Mrs Hunt and Mr Vickery

Visit 2: Mr Hughes, Mr Bucknill, Mrs Dingley, Ms Harvey, Mrs Stevens and Mr Byrne

Equipment List

Day sack or small backpack with
two good straps

Outdoor Shoes/Trainers

Wellington Boots (please make sure they fit!)

Thick thermal Socks for inside boots (five pairs
ideally)

Normal socks (x3)

Underclothing

Small warm jacket (fleece)

Gloves, hat and scarf

T-shirts x 5

Layers, eg long sleeved T-shirts, warm
sweaters

Loose warm trousers (not Jeans please) (x2)

Casual clothes for travelling in and relaxing
in the evening.

Lightweight waterproof coat

Slippers or Indoor Shoes (not slipper socks)

One Large Towel and One Small Towel

One Fitted Sheet for Single Bed

Pillow Case

Sleeping Bag

Two tea towels

Pyjamas/nightdress

Toilet requisites in a bag

Books and/or Top Trump Cards (always popular)
or any similar game for quiet times.

Large plastic bag for dirty clothes.

Five plastic carrier bags (for lunches during the
week).

Lipsyll or small tin of vaseline

Water Bottle (full of water for the journey).

Packed lunch in a plastic bag.

Cuddly toy!

Please note: Heavy duty waterproofs and walking boots are supplied by the Centre.

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Packing Instructions

- Please pack sleeping bag and Wellies separately from the main bag. This makes it easier for us to pack into the minibus.
- On departure day children should have a main bag, a day bag (with packed lunch inside), a Wellie bag and a sleeping bag!
- It is expected that the weather will still be very cold in the area we are visiting. Please ensure your child has plenty of appropriate clothing. Several layers are more effective for keeping warm than one thick layer. As we expect to get wet and muddy, old clothes are perfectly suitable too! Please also ensure your child has enough socks to be able to change them if they get wet.

Further Reminders

- Please pack your child a lunch with a drink for the first day - please use bags to save washing up! A drink container will be needed during the week. Please label the top (lid) and bottom of the container.
- Please name articles as far as possible.
- Check your equipment list very carefully.
- Please remember personal stereos, ipods, mps players, mobile phones, game boys, trading cards, etc are **not** allowed.
- Please don't send the children with any sweets/tuck, etc. All food, drink and snacks will be provided.
- Please pack as small as possible, the luggage may have to fit on a roof rack.
- Please note, no pocket money is needed
- Cameras can be brought, but will be the children's responsibility. In previous years some good results have been achieved from disposable cameras.

As in previous years, we would like to continue the delicious tradition of the children bringing a cake to share. These should be in a named container and ideally be no more than 12 portions. We have been very lucky with cakes, but parents have been over-generous in the past!

There will be a Parents Meeting about the Wales visits on Wednesday, 3rd February in Mr Hughes' classroom, where we will provide you with more detailed information about the trip.

We are looking forward to these very enjoyable weeks. In the meantime if you have any further questions please don't hesitate to contact the Year 6 staff or myself.

Yours sincerely

Rowley Bucknill
Deputy Headteacher