

















Hilltop 2026

Meet the Adults going with you!



Miss Williams

Mrs Allen

Mr Brockman-Smith



The Day We Leave…….

- All children (including TAS), take suitcases and belongings to the Year 6 classroom at normal time.
- Please come to school dressed in clothes for the afternoon's activities (NOT school uniform)
- You will need to bring a packed lunch
- We leave AC at around 9.30am. Parents are welcome to stay and wave goodbye but it may be a bit of a wait!

When We Arrive…..

- We aim to arrive at Hilltop for 11.30am
- We will be met by our Group Leader who will show us to our rooms
- The rooms will be chosen by Miss Williams who will ensure that, where possible, friendship groups are kept together
- The children do not find out which room they are in until we arrive at Hilltop
- This year we are staying at Woodland Lodge
- Once we have had an introductory talk and lunch, activities will begin at 1pm!

Food

- The food is chosen in advance. Miss Williams has chosen the meals and has considered carefully the sort of foods the children are likely to eat. Unless a child has a dietary requirement, all children receive the same food.
- Some children will not like the food but it is the only option. We always suggest packing a few extra snacks just in case, however usually the children are so hungry after the activities we find that they eat the food whether they like it or not.
- We all sit and have dinner together, we say grace before we eat and the children have various responsibilities throughout the meal sitting such as clearing away the plates and cleaning the tables.

Rooms and Bedtimes

- As said before, Miss Williams choose the rooms and the children will find out their rooms when they arrive at Hilltop.
- Miss Williams will set the bedtime. Hilltop rules are in bed by 10pm and children to stay in rooms until 7am to ensure all who are staying get a good night's sleep. So no noise between 10pm and 7am!
- Staff will be located in rooms nearby to the children and the children will be made aware where to find the staff if they are needed in the night. As you can imagine, we don't sleep much just in case we get a knock at the door!
- Usually bedtime is the time when children feel homesick, we are very aware of how difficult being away from home can be for some children so we will look after them.

Tuck Shop

- There will be access to the tuck shop which the school staff will run, usually in the evenings after the evening activity.
- Please do not send your child with any more than £10! Very often the money disappears as the children don't look after it and leave it laying around in the social areas.
- In the tuck shop there are souvenirs, sweets, chocolate, fizzy drinks etc.

Responsibility

- The children are responsible for getting themselves dressed, showered, teeth brushed etc, so please don't be surprised if your child comes home having not had a shower for 3 days!
- There are also many other responsibilities they will have throughout their stay such as cleaning up after meal times, belaying and keeping their rooms tidy.
- Miss Williams will be carrying out room inspections and the room with the best score at the end of the week will win a prize!

Medication

- If your child has any medication, Miss Williams will be the designated adult to administer the medication.
- Please ensure you have given any instructions clearly.
- Please do not pack any medication in your child's bag, not even paracetamol! Anything like this needs to be given to Miss Williams to keep safe.

What will I need?

Layers

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We advise not to pack any new or expensive items of clothing. Adventurous activity is likely to cause them wear and tear!

Bedding:
- ☐ Sleeping bag OR
- ☐ Duvet with duvet cover and bottom sheet

(Hilltop will provide pillows and pillowcases)

Footwear:
- ☐ Indoor shoes or slippers (not slipper socks)
- ☐ Outdoor shoes/boots/trainers (2 pairs). No crocs or flipflops
- ☐ Wellies (optional)



Useful Items:
- ☐ A labelled bin bag for wet or dirty clothes
- ☐ Torch and spare batteries
- ☐ Re-useable water bottle
- ☐ Hair bands
- ☐ Tuck Shop money (no more than £10, ideally in change)

Clothing:
(make sure all items are named)
- ☐ Socks and underwear
- ☐ Nightwear
- ☐ T-shirts
- ☐ Long sleeved tops
- ☐ Fleeces/jumpers
- ☐ Waterproof jacket
- ☐ Leggings or trousers
- ☐ Waterproof trousers
- ☐ Clothes for the evening
- ☐ Swimming kit

Toiletries:
- ☐ A wash bag (including shower gel, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste, hairbrush)
- ☐ Towel

Warm weather:
- ☐ Insect repellent
- ☐ Sun cream
- ☐ Sun hat
- ☐ Shorts

Cold weather:
- ☐ Woolly Hat
- ☐ Scarf
- ☐ Gloves

We will NOT be swimming, so no need to pack your swimsuits/trunks!

No Chewing gum

No Hairdryers

No Mobile phones

No iPods



No Games consoles

No Aerosols / Aerosol deodorant

No nuts or nut products

No electronic gadgets

What happens if I am really scared and I really don’t want to do something?

- Hilltop’s Motto is “Challenge by Choice”
- No one is going to make you do something you really do not want to do

Any Questions?