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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Residential Trip – CHANGE OF VENUE

As you will be aware from our letter of 12th November we had planned to take the children to Kingswood for their residential visit. As explained in this letter Kingswood were unable to reserve our booking without paying a non-refundable deposit which was requested in our letter.

On Tuesday 30th November, having received confirmation from all parents whether their child was able to attend, we contacted Kingswood to confirm our booking and pay the required deposit. Unfortunately, Kingswood were unable to offer us the dates originally requested and could only offer a booking at the beginning of June with a substantial increase in the cost because it was their peak season. Since then we have sought an alternative of either reducing the number of days at Kingswood or finding an alternative venue.

I am pleased to inform you that we have been able to secure a booking at Bewl Water, Lamberhurst, Kent for the same dates of 18th to 20th July. Bewl Water is a venue we have used before and they offer a range of activities including paddleboarding, raft building, teambuilding & challenge course, kayaking and orienteering. Non-swimmers are welcome and leave having grown in confidence around the water. Children always wear buoyancy aids around the reservoir and are fully supervised by qualified instructors throughout their sessions. All specialist equipment is supplied. In addition, at Bewl Water, we will be the only group staying at the venue overnight and we would be kept separate to any other groups who may be attending for other activities during the day. Children will stay in rooms with a maximum of 5 children per room. All food will be provided so there is no need to provide a packed lunch on the first day. The children will be leaving at approximately 9.00am on the Monday and returning at around 3.30pm on the Wednesday.

We are also pleased to advise you that Bewl Water have agreed to honour the cost quoted when we had originally booked The Swattenden Centre. Therefore, the overall cost of the **Year 6 residential visit has reduced to £205.**

If you have chosen to pay by instalments, the new cost is as follows;

£40.00 Initial Deposit followed by
£41.25 2nd Instalment due by end of December
£41.25 3rd Instalment due by end of January
£41.25 4th Instalment due by end of February
£41.25 5th Instalment due by end of March

We are confident the children will enjoy and gain an awful lot from this visit and an opportunity to celebrate their time together at Eastry.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "S. Moss".

Sarah Moss
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