



**Nurture, Grow, Flourish.**

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20<sup>th</sup> January 2025

Dear Parents/ Carers of Year 4 Children,

We are pleased to be able to give you an update regarding the residential trip for our Year 4 children which is taking place from Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May.

Unfortunately, due to things beyond our control, we have had to change location for this years residential. We have found out this week, the venue at Wye Valley has been badly damaged by storms and therefore it is not safe for the site to open. Instead, we will be taking the children to YHA Okehampton Bracken Tor on the edge of Dartmoor. The children will receive the same experience as they would have received at Wye Valley at no extra cost despite their prices being slightly higher.

The children will stay in a hostel which is part of the Youth Hostel Association (YHA), which support many schools with residential visits.

The children will stay for two nights and three days and both Poplar and Oak class will leave school on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025** and return on **Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025**. We will be able to confirm exact timings closer to the trip.

This is a very exciting experience for the children. They will take part in a wide variety of outdoor activities during their stay. It will be a great time away that I am sure all the children will thoroughly enjoy.

As you already know but just as a reminder:

- the overall cost for the residential is **£204.50**
- You have already paid a **£55** deposit which has confirmed your child's place. If you have not paid a deposit and would like your child to take part in our residential, this will need to be paid by **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January at the latest**. This leaves **£149.50** which has been set up for you to pay over 3 monthly payments which will look like:

**£50 by 31<sup>st</sup> January**  
**£50 by 28<sup>th</sup> February**  
**£49.50 by 31<sup>st</sup> March**

All payments will be available on Parent Pay. No refunds can be given after the 31<sup>st</sup> January as the school will have confirmed numbers, we will then be liable for the full cost of the trip.

Yours sincerely,

Jen Baines  
Middle School Phase Leader