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14th September 2026

FAO Year 4
Hathersage Residential June 16th – 18th 2027
At St. Michael's Education Centre

Dear Parents/Carers

A **two night/three day residential** for children in **Year 4**, based at St Michael's Environmental Education Centre at **Hathersage** in the Heart of the Peak District National Park has been booked for **Wednesday, 16th to Friday, 18th June 2027**.

We will be holding a parent information meeting on **Tuesday, 15th September at 3:30pm** in the Junior Hall. This will be an opportunity for us to share further information with you about the trip, discuss potential adaptations that can be made where required and for you to ask any questions that you may have. We would encourage you to join us at this meeting to enable you to see if this trip is right for you and your child. Your Year 4 children will be able to join you in the meeting and we will put on an activity in a Year 3 classroom for any other siblings should this be required.

St Michael's Environment Education Centre provides walking boots and waterproof tops and trousers for everyone whilst they are at the Centre, so there is no need to buy lots of expensive walking gear.

It also provides good quality accommodation for **34** pupils in small dormitories; however, as the accommodation cost is based on the hire of the Centre rather than the size of the group we do need to make sure we have sufficient numbers to make the trip viable. Should there be insufficient numbers or groups sizes that make the trip unaffordable then we may have to reconsider whether we can continue to run the trip.

We have used the Centre for many years now and led highly successful residential.

During the trip the children will experience:

• A hill walking expedition, teaching map work and navigation skills.
• Orienteering and stream dipping, to develop practical science skills.
• A local visit to Treak Cliff Cavern , for 'Rocks and Minerals' learning.
• Evening games and team building activities.

The estimated cost of the trip will be between **£150 and £190**. ***This figure is dependent on the number of children interested.*** Therefore, **the final payment may go up or down in value to cover the total cost required.**

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium funding, some remission is available. **The initial deposit must be paid by everyone** who is interested in this trip (including those in receipt



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of Pupil Premium) and this deposit is non-refundable. The cost is inclusive of travel, accommodation, all activities, and meals.

We know how valuable these trips are at developing the children's independence and their self-esteem, widening their social skills and offering exciting new opportunities – making memories that will last a lifetime. If you would like your child to participate in this great residential experience, please complete your consent and pay a **non-refundable** initial deposit payment via the MCAS app under the Trips menu> Available Trips by **Friday, 25th September 2026** to secure your child's place.

If you wish to make payments by instalments these should be received by the dates below.

Payment Schedule

Wednesday, 30th September 2026	£30.00 Initial Deposit (non refundable).
Friday, 27th November 2026	£30.00 Second Deposit (non refundable).
Friday, 26th February 2027	£40.00 Second Payment.
Friday, 26th March 2027	£40.00 Third Payment.
Friday, 30th April 2027	£40.00 Estimated Final Payment (This may go up or down to cover the total cost of the trip).

Should you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Pounder & Mrs S Radley
Educational Visit Coordinator & Visit Administrator