



November 2022

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 6 Mendip Adventure Camp (week beginning 3 July 2023)

As part of the enrichment programme at Selwood, all Year 6 pupils have the opportunity to take part in a Mendip Adventure Camp, which is a 3 day (2 night) residential during the week of the 3 - 7 of July 2023. The trip is open to all children in Year 6. The Mendip Activity Centre run and lead the camp. The personnel of this company all have recognised qualifications in the activities they are instructing. The Academy has made use of their services for several years and all previous residential have been a great success.

At this stage, it is not possible to give the specific timetable of activities, but it is likely to include abseiling, rock climbing, wide games, assault course, caving, group initiative challenges, kayaking, campfires and bushcraft. The group will be camping at the centre's own Canvas Village. In addition to the Mendip Activity Centre instructors, the children will be accompanied by teachers and support staff from Selwood Academy.

The cost of the trip will be approximately £210 in total, this may reduce slightly depending on confirmed numbers, and you will be required to pay using ParentPay. A non-refundable deposit of £50 will be payable upon confirmation of place. The remaining balance of £160 will have the facility to be paid in instalments, with all payments completed by **Friday 26 May 2023**.

If your child is entitled to Free School Meals, they may be able to use their Selwood Activity Voucher to pay towards settling the balance for the trip. However, please note that we will still need you to pay the £50 deposit first. If you plan to use the voucher, please indicate this on the google form.

The school currently purchases travel insurance through Zurich which provides a basic level of cover for all children and staff. Parents are advised to purchase their own personal accident and illness insurance if they require additional cover or are concerned.

Please note that during the visit we will be taking photographs of the children for use in our newsletter and for publicity purposes. If you do not wish your child's image to be used in this way, please ensure the school is aware of this.

If you wish your child to take part in this trip, please complete this Google form <https://forms.gle/JAASw28yKJAq8LqG9> by Friday 16 December 2022.

You will receive contact soon after this closing date to confirm the next steps and key dates for you to be aware of. Please note that a **non-refundable** deposit of £50 will be due by **Friday 27 January 2023**.

Please contact me if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

Mr Stuart Hershbein
Trip Organiser