

Dear Parents and Carers

**Year 6 Educational Visit to Fairthorne Manor  
Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September– Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

As you are aware when your child moves into Year 6 they will be invited to go on a residential to Fairthorne Manor. To support organising this trip, I enclose the attached consent and medical form for you to complete and return to school as soon as possible. **(NO child may take part in this trip unless we have this information)**. **Please complete by Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024** as Fairthorne have strict deadlines they are asking us to keep to.

We do need to have some indication of your child's confidence in water or ability to swim, so that all the children will be suitably equipped and able to take part in the water sports. This information is now collected as part of the medical form.

We are attaching the list of activities that have provisionally been arranged for us and we have included in this e-mail the Parent Information Pack from Fairthorne. You can also visit their website at any point for videos, photos and further information, [Lead Happy, Healthy Lives - YMCA Fairthorne Group \(ymca-fg.org\)](http://Lead Happy, Healthy Lives - YMCA Fairthorne Group (ymca-fg.org)).

Whilst we are at Fairthorne, special diets can be arranged. Therefore, would you please let me know in writing, of any specific dietary requirements your child may have. I require this information by **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> September** It must be pointed out that if a special diet is requested, e.g. vegetarian, then the child must follow that diet for the duration of the visit.

Along with this letter, we are sending home the week's food menu. We ask that when returning the medical form, you also return the food menu, clearly labelled with your child's name, class and any dietary requirements. Children do not need to indicate what they would like for breakfast, but for lunch and dinner, please clearly highlight which of the two choices your child would like. In the past, if both options prove a difficulty for your child, Fairthorne have been able to offer a simple alternative such as a jacket potato or a sandwich – please indicate this on the menu.

Within the parent information pack is the kit list for the visit and a required clothing list for specific activities, please make sure you read through these lists before packing your child's case. Activities will continue to take place in the rain, so light, waterproof clothing is essential. The children also need shoes that are comfortable for walking in and a pair which is suitable for activities when the children will get wet - taking part in the water-based activities, for example. Water shoes are recommended but not essential. If ordinary shoes are worn, it is best if the shoes are old and can be thrown away after use.

All luggage should be packed into ONE small suitcase/holdall (which your child will have to carry themselves) with a separate bag for, sleeping bag and pillows and each child will need a small bag for daily use. It is important that ALL of your child's possessions (including luggage) are marked clearly with their name – this includes towels, all clothing and shoes.

Finally, I would like to invite you to a brief parent information meeting on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September at 3.30pm to answer any queries and look at some of the activities the pupils will be taking part in.

Kind Regards

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