



# ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

September 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

## **Final Information for the Year 7 Trips to the Bushcraft, Wednesday 2 October to Friday 4 October 2019**

As the Year 7 trip to the Bushcraft approaches, please find below the final details and information, which may be useful.

### **Payment**

The total payment for the trip is now due and should be paid in full via ParentPay – if you do not have your ParentPay login details, please contact Mrs Holey in the Finance Office. Thank you if you have already paid for the trip.

### **Medication**

It is important that we are aware of any medication that your child takes out of school hours. All medication must come into school with your child on departure date, clearly marked with their **name, dosage and times the medication is required.**

### **Departure time**

We will be leaving school at 09:00 on Wednesday 2 October 2019 – please make sure you arrive at school on time.

### **Clothing Requirements**

#### **ESSENTIAL ITEMS**

Large rucksack (or alternative bag/suitcase) AND small rucksack for daytimes away from camp  
Footwear (at least 2 pairs e.g. walking boots/old trainers)  
Warm sleeping bag (season 3 recommended)  
Roll mat  
Wash bag including toothbrush, toothpaste and face wipes  
Tracksuit/hard-wearing trousers / T-Shirts / Warm jumpers/fleece  
Waterproofs (jacket and trousers) Insect repellent (suitable for midges/mosquitos/ticks)  
Warm socks and underwear  
Towel(s)  
Water bottle  
Good torch with fresh batteries (head torch is ideal)  
Alcohol hand gel

#### **OPTIONAL ITEMS**

Sleeping bag liner / Pillow / Whistle  
WEATHER DEPENDENT ITEMS Wellington boots / Sun hat / Warm hat /gloves / Sun cream

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## **Money, Chewing Gum and Sweets**

The students do not need to bring any money with them. Pupils must not **bring with them any chewing gum or sweets**. We do not permit eating on the coach or in the tents.

## **Mobile Phones**

With many years' experience of running trips, we ask that pupils **do not** take a mobile phone with them. The Bushcraft does not have any phone coverage on site for pupils. One of our aims for the visit is to promote independence and traditionally we have discouraged phoning home during the week. The potential problems that may arise with pupils taking mobiles are considerable and they are unnecessary on this trip.

Items such as an IPod/IPad **should also not** be taken on the trip. Our **School Insurance will not include personal belongings of this type.**

## **Itinerary**

### **Wednesday 2 October 2019**

Pupils depart St Aidan's by coach for Castle Howard at 09:00  
Arrive at camp at 10:00 and introduction  
Fire Workshop  
Lunch  
Camp craft / Shelter Building  
Supper  
Night-time routine

### **Thursday 3 October 2019**

Breakfast  
Camouflage and Concealment Exercises / Wilderness First Aid Workshop  
Lunch  
Scenario SOS / Cutting Tools Workshop  
Supper  
Night time Stalking Games

### **Friday 4 October 2019**

Breakfast  
Wild Food Workshop / Bushcraft Tournament  
Lunch  
Leave no Trace Procedures  
Return to St Aidan's – arrival approximately 16:30

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## Emergency Contact Numbers

We would ask that you do not contact the Centre unless it is an absolute emergency, as we need to prioritise our time to look after your children.

However, if there is a genuine emergency, please use the numbers below:

Emergency Contact Numbers	Mr Taylor	07340293826	(on site)
	Mr Holdsworth	07444829320	(off site)
	Mrs Soper	07444813726	(off site)

I hope your child have a wonderful trip.

Regards

Tracey Collins  
Trips Administrator

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