

# Holbrook Primary School

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17<sup>th</sup> May 2016

Dear Parents/Carers

After much discussion regarding the Year 4 residential for 2017 we are delighted to inform you that we have this year chosen Minstead Study Centre in the New Forest (*although the children this year enjoyed Hooke Court it was a long way to travel so we have chosen somewhere a little closer!*)

We have booked all accommodation available at the Centre for three days and two nights from Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January to Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January. Currently, we are unable to say, with absolute certainty, which staff members will go with the children. Children and staff will travel by coach, leaving at about 9:00am on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> January and returning approximately 3:00pm on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January

During the three days the children will take part in a range of activities:

- Outdoor Science activities linked to the curriculum including river exploration
- Feeding farm animals and gathering eggs etc
- A range of outdoor teambuilding skills such as orienteering

On the return journey we will stop off at Beaulieu Motor Museum for a few hours.

All activities are led by qualified and experienced outdoor leaders who work at the Centre. Teachers and staff will accompany and take part in all activities with the children. The centre is fully catered and children will have all meals provided from the Monday lunchtime until Wednesday lunchtime.

We can accommodate 34 pupils on a first come, first served basis. The cost of the trip will be £150 and we would require a non-refundable £50 deposit and the reply slip attached, to secure your child's place by 24<sup>th</sup> June at the VERY latest.

Following this we would need a further £50 by the end of October and the final £50 by Christmas 2016. We have to make several of the payments in advance of the visit so it is essential that these deadlines are met. Of course, we would have no objection to you paying the full amount straight away OR welcome small regular amounts of money towards the total cost at any time. We appreciate £150 is a lot of money, but to put it into perspective slightly, after the deposit deadline there are 17 school weeks up to the end of December 2016 which works out to just under £6 per week!

Attached you will find a parents pack from the study centre which gives you more information, and in addition Mrs Bissaker has put a link to the Minstead Study Centre website on our school website in the Events / Residentials section.

We will of course hold parents meetings nearer the time at which you will be given further information, including a kit list. This is an amazing opportunity for the children and we hope your child will be able to join us. If you have any questions or concerns please come and chat to us. *For planning purposes it would be useful for us to know if you don't want your child to attend!*

Yours sincerely,

Executive Headteacher

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**Year 4 residential, 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> January 2017,**

**Minstead Study Centre, New Forest**

❖ **I do / do not** \* wish my child ..... to participate in the Year 4 residential visit to Minstead. \* Please delete as appropriate

❖ I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £50 to reserve a place and understand places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

❖ I understand that the full payment of £150 must be paid by Christmas 2016 at the latest and agree to pay the required amounts by the deadlines set out in the letter dated 17<sup>th</sup> May 2016.

Signed ..... Date .....