



NOTTINGHAM
FREE SCHOOL

8 February 2017

Dear Parent(s)/Carer(s),

In readiness for our Walesby trip I am writing to provide further details of the departure and arrival times and a packing list of the suggested items required whilst we are there.

We will be staying in two lodges, one for the boys and one for the girls and the students will be taking part in lots of different activities including; climbing, archery, an assault course, crate stacking, zip line and a maze. We will also spend some time on the lake taking part in some water based activities.

We will be departing school at 11am on Wednesday 8 March to arrive at Walesby at 12pm. Students are to arrive at school for 8:15am as usual and they will be in normal lessons periods 1-3. They can wear their normal clothes and do not need to come in their school uniform. Students will require a packed lunch and drink for when we arrive. Afternoon activities will start at 2pm.

We will depart from Walesby at 1pm on Friday 10 March after lunch to arrive back at school in time for the normal Friday finishing time of 2:45pm.

We ask that students do not bring any valuables on the trip as any brought are at the students own risk. School i-Pads are NOT to be brought on the trip. We also ask that students do not bring their mobile phones, however if students decide to bring them then they should be turned off and kept in the dorm rooms at all times. Again these are brought at their own risk. If there is an emergency in which you need to contact your child we will have the school mobile with us. The number is 07799738319. Please contact this number, rather than your child directly as a priority.

Our usual high standards of behaviour are expected at all times. However, if the behaviour of any child is deemed too poor to stay on the visit or puts themselves or others at risk then we will return them to school or home at any point. We are confident that this will not have to be enforced and all students will have a fantastic time.

Kit list:

Students should bring old, comfortable clothing. The following is a basic kit list, however there may be extra things they want to bring. We ask that you check the weather forecast before we depart and tailor outdoor wear appropriately.

- Sleeping bag and pillow
- Old clothes and shoes for activities on the lake. (For this it is best to bring light layers such as a microfibre fleece rather than a hooded jumper which may become very heavy when wet)
- A plastic bag to bring any wet items home in
- Swimming costume
- Towels
- Toiletries
- Drinks bottle
- Plenty of comfortable clothes that you don't mind getting dirty. Jeans are OK for inside the lodge but tracksuit bottoms should be worn for activities.
- Trainers
- Walking shoes/ wellington boots
- Waterproof jacket / trousers
- Warm coat
- Warm tops – fleece material is ideal
- Hat, scarf, gloves (spares in case they get wet)
- Plasters for feet
- Optional pocket money for souvenirs. (A maximum of £5)
- Pyjamas/sleeping clothes
- Slippers/indoor shoes for the lodge
- Underwear including spare pairs in case of bad weather
- Warm socks
- Disco outfit

Do not bring:

- Aerosols
- Jewellery
- Expensive items

We will try our best to pair your child with at least one friend in the dorm rooms. To aid us in this please write in the space provided the name of two people your child would like to share with. We will endeavour to make sure they are with at least one of these.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at school via phone or email (SCockayne@nottinghamfreeschool.co.uk). A meeting will take place at school for the students on Wednesday 2 March where I will go through the arrangements.

Yours faithfully,

Miss S Cockayne
Nottingham Free School
Trip Organiser

**Walesby Trip Room Share Preference
(To be completed by the student) –**

Wednesday 8 March to Friday 10 March

Student Name: _____

Names of the two students you would like to share a dorm with:

Child 1: _____

Child 2: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please return this slip to the school office ASAP.

Failure to return the slip may mean you won't be in a room with your friends.