



Huntington

PRIMARY ACADEMY



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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are, as we are sure the children are, looking forward to their sleepover at the Deep. We would like to take this opportunity to answer a few questions which have been raised with us and let you know the final arrangements.

During the day on Wednesday 10th July, the children will attend school as usual, arriving at the normal time and wearing their school uniform. They will only need to bring to school their regular items for the day. At the end of the day, they should go home as usual at 15:10 and we recommend that the children have an evening meal during this time. The children will then need to return to school, through the school office, at 16:30 dressed in appropriate clothes of their choosing and bringing their kit as detailed below.

We are aiming for the coach to leave school by 16:45 and then arrive at the Deep by 18:00. There the children will have a private guided tour of the Deep; take part in a workshop activity to create a keepsake and have an evening snack together. After that they will be getting changed and getting settled in a large space, which has walls of fish tanks. The lights dim in the tanks at 10.00pm when we will be asking the children to be quiet and go to sleep. At least one member of school staff will be awake and on hand all night for anyone who needs them. The lights come on early the next morning at 06:15 am and the children will need to get dressed, pack away their sleeping bags and then have breakfast at 7am before setting off back to school. We are expected back at school by 8:15 am on Thursday. When we know our exact timings, a text will be sent to you.

The children will need to bring an evening snack with them such as fruit or one they would have at a school playtime. If you have any concerns about your child's dietary requirements (above what has already been written on the medical forms) please let your child's teacher know.

We would ask that children not bring their phones, smart watches or any other electronics with them on the sleepover. We cannot guarantee that they would not get damaged or used inappropriately therefore any electronics brought accidentally to school will be collected and kept in the school office until we return. All our school staff will carry mobile phones and can be contacted through the school office if needed. We will also contact parents if necessary.

After previous school residentials, we have had feedback that many children struggled to be ready for learning in school at the normal start time the next day. Therefore, this year to help with this, Mrs Holton has decided that any Year 5 parents may come and collect their children when we return at approximately 8.15am to take them home so they can shower, change into school uniform and have some quiet time before returning to start learning at school at 11:00 on the Thursday. School will be open for children unable to be picked up and they will be supervised in the classroom with quiet activities. Lessons will begin for all at 11:00.

If you have any other questions or concerns, please speak to one of the Year 5 team.

Best Wishes

Miss Bullivant and Mrs MacFadeyn

Kit List (all children will need to carry their own kit upstairs):

- Sleeping Bag
- Roll/Sleeping/Yoga mat
- Pyjamas
- Slippers
- Clean change of clothes
- Deodorant (roll on only as sprays affect the fire system)
- Basic wash kit including a toothbrush and toothpaste
- Evening snack- healthy and similar to a school playtime snack
- Refillable water bottle (no fizzy drinks are allowed)
- Small teddy or soft toy is optional