



## **RE: Robinwood visit**

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are delighted to say that we are now looking to organise residential trips for KS2. This year, we are looking to have a Class 3 (Year 5 and 6) residential to Robinwood in Alston, Cumbria. Robinwood is an activity company that is rooted in providing outdoor learning and challenges to KS2 children and has been used by Mr Charlton with his previous schools multiple times. We have no doubt that the children would enjoy their visit as well as enable them to further develop socially and personally too.

We are also currently looking into getting a residential sorted for Year 3/4 for the beginning of next academic year too. This will hopefully be held at Ford Castle which has been used by us as a school several times in the past and has always been successful. Rest assured, we are organising the residential to Ford Castle already too and will update you as soon as possible. We are opting not to have the Class 2 residential this year but the beginning of next for the reasons of being mindful of the cost implications for parents/ carers to potentially have 2 trips to pay for simultaneously. We feel that staggering the residentials on a rolling year on, year off basis is fairer to you and also puts focus on the year groups going that particular year. This worked well in the past too.

The Class 3 (Year 5 and 6) residential to the Robinwood centre in Cumbria offers opportunities for the children to be challenged in a safe environment. All the instructors at the centre have a high degree of expertise and groups would be supervised in a ratio of one adult to 6-7 children. The residential will look to take place at the very end of the Spring term, Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May – Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

If you are interested in learning more about the centre, you can find information and watch a selection of videos about the residential experience on the Robinwood website at <a href="https://www.robinwood.co.uk">www.robinwood.co.uk</a>.

The total cost of the residential will be approximately £275.00, but we will give you the exact amount as soon as numbers participating have been confirmed. This cost - which is greatly reduced from their usual prices – is only valid for a certain amount of time and the available slots go very fast. As such, if there is enough support for this residential from parents/ carers, we will have to confirm the booking quite quickly. We as a school recognise the cost implications that this superb trip brings – especially in the recent economic climate - and, as such, we are sending this letter as quick as we can to give as much notice as possible and therefore more time to make payments if required.

If you would like your child to participate in this wonderful opportunity, a confirmation slip (attached to this letter) will need to be completed and returned to school with no money to pay at this point by Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022. As soon as we have a response regarding this residential opportunity, then we will be able to book and confirm the residential itself and the cost more accurately as well as offer a staggered payment plan.

Please contact me with any queries or concerns with regard to the residential. Yours sincerely,

## Mr Charlton Deputy Headteacher & Year 5/6 Teacher

Robinwood residential confirmation slip	
Name of child:	
I would/ would not (delete as appropriate) like my child Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May – Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May 2023.	to participate in the Robinwood residential
Signed:	-
Print name:	_