

9th January 2025

Dear Y5 Parent / Carer,

RE: Residential Trip September 2025 – Gilwell Park

Year 6 is an incredibly exciting year group as the children enter the last year of their primary school education. It is a year in which children develop their independence, resilience and confidence before they leave us for the next step on their educational journey. The residential trip is a huge part of this as it provides children with an opportunity to try new activities, develop new skills and achieve things they never thought possible.

The residential will be from Wednesday 17th - Friday 19th September 2025 (2 nights/3 days). This will be an exciting start to their final year at St Margaret's; it will give the children an opportunity to get to know their new teachers and develop their confidence at the start of the year. The children will participate in activities from abseiling down a tower and rock-climbing to using teamwork to balance a giant seesaw and singing songs round the campfire. They will also try their hand at survival skills, shooting arrows in archery and shelter building in the forest.

Location: *Gilwell Park, Chingford, London E4 7QW*

Dates: *Wednesday 17th September 2025 - Friday 19th September 2025 inclusive*

Children will leave school on Wednesday 17th September 2025 and stay for two nights in a lodge at Gilwell Park. On Friday 19th September 2025, the children will have two activities in the morning followed by lunch.

Please have a look at Gilwell Park's website for more information on the activities the Year 6 children will take part in - www.scoutadventures.org.uk/centre/gilwell-park

Total cost of the trip is **£250** per child. The cost includes all expenses, coach, food and all activities. The payment will be added to Parent Pay. A non refundable deposit of **£50** must be paid by **Monday 3rd February 2025** to secure your child's place. Full payment must be received by **Friday 18th July 2025**. We have attached a table to this letter to show how this amount could be paid.

If you would like your child to attend and pay your deposit via ParentPay.

We would like to offer this opportunity to every child in Year 5 so please do not hesitate to contact me via the school email with the subject of 'Y6 Residential - FAO Mrs Bannon' if you are experiencing hardship that might affect your child's ability to attend.

I will hold a parent meeting at a later date for any questions you may have. We will also share a packing list nearer the time of the trip. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to send us an email via the school email.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Bannon
Headteacher

Payment Plan Option 1:

Payment in full with your £50 deposit (£250 in total)

Payment Plan Option 2:

Payment Number:	Date due:	Amount paid:	Amount Left to pay:
1 – Deposit	Monday 3 rd February 2025	£50.00	£200
2 – Payment 2	Monday 3 rd March 2025	£100.00	£100.00
3 – Payment 3	Tuesday 1 st April 2025	£100.00	£0.00

Payment Plan Option 3:

Payment Number:	Date due:	Amount paid:	Amount Left to pay:
1 – Deposit	Monday 3 rd February 2025	£50.00	£200
2 – Payment 2	Monday 3 rd March 2025	£50.00	£150.00
3 – Payment 3	Tuesday 1 st April 2025	£50.00	£100.00
4 – Payment 4	Thursday 1 st May 2025	£50.00	£50.00
5 – Payment 5	Monday 2 nd June 2025	£50.00	£0.00

Payment Plan Option 3:

Payment Number:	Date due:	Amount paid:	Amount Left to pay:
1 – Deposit	Monday 3 rd February 2025	£50.00	£200
2 – Payment 2	Monday 3 rd March 2025	£40.00	£160.00
3 – Payment 3	Tuesday 1 st April 2025	£40.00	£120.00
4 – Payment 4	Thursday 1 st May 2025	£40.00	£80.00
5 – Payment 5	Monday 2 nd June 2025	£40.00	£40.00
6 – Payment 6	Tuesday 1 st July 2025	£40.00	£0.00

Child's name: _____

Which option would you prefer:

Payment Plan Option 1

Payment Plan Option 2

Payment Plan Option 3

Parent/carer Signature; _____

Relationship to the child; _____

Date: _____

Please return the slip to school as soon as possible. We can then arrange for your chosen plan to be put on parent pay.

The £50 non-refundable deposit will be available on parent pay from 9th January 2025.