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Dear Parents of Year 4 Children

As you are aware we arrange residential visits for the children. All visits are linked to different aspects of the National Curriculum at Key Stage 2.

Next year, we have provisionally booked to go to the Isle of Wight from the 18th June to 22nd June 2018. This will form part of the Key Stage 2 geography, history, art, maths and literacy curriculum. The main focus of the visit for the Year 4 group will be to study Sandown as a contrasting locality. However, one of the main benefits of a residential visit is to the children's personal social development. Most parents remark on how much their children have grown in maturity during the week! We, as a school, believe very strongly that children reap enormous benefit from residential visits.

We will be travelling with 'Isle of Wight School Journeys', which is the company we have always travelled with. The children will be staying in the Friends Hotel in Sandown and will be sharing 2 to 4 bedded rooms with ensuite facilities. They will be visiting several beaches and other points of interest such as Carisbrooke Castle and Osborne House. There will also be a theatre visit and workshop, fossil hunting with a Palaeontologist, a pleasure cruise around the Needles and a party night. If you want to find out more about this exciting opportunity, please speak to Mr Hodgkison or myself.

The visit complies with all guidance relating to Health and Safety from the Local Authority and the Department of Education. All risk assessments are carried out before the visit.

'Isle of Wight School Journeys' have informed us that due to HM Revenue and Customs Regulations individual schools and Local Authorities, will not be allowed to reclaim VAT paid in respect of educational visits - as we have historically been able to. In previous years, this has made residential trips cheaper for parents as we have been able to pass on this reduction. The organisers have informed us that the cost of the 2018 trip, for the five days, will be £320 per child. This is based on 40 children attending. If numbers do not reach 40 we may have to consider the viability of the trip.

In order to book places with the organisers, we will need to receive a non-refundable deposit of £100 by 1st November 2017 to allocate your child a place.

Four further payments of £55 can then be paid on the first of every month (or the nearest to this date.) Alternatively, the total balance of £220 can be paid in full by 25th May 2018.

"Reaching for new heights, together"



Once places have been confirmed, cancellations are subject to the following charges (no deposits will be refunded), so please make sure your child will be attending before committing to this trip:

If notice of cancellation is received between 22 and 56 days - loss of 60% of total price.

If notice of cancellation is received between 1 and 21 days - loss of 100% of total price.

Please contact Mrs Bate in the school office between 9.30am and 2pm for details of remissions if you are in receipt of any benefits or if your child receives free school meals. (We will require a full copy of your tax credit form.)

We always have a fabulous time, with many lasting memories made. I am sure that this year will be no exception. We hope that as many of our Year 4 children as possible are able to join us on this exciting residential. **If we do not hear from you by Wednesday 1st November we will assume that your child will not be going and we will not book a place for them on the trip.**

Yours sincerely

Mandy Ward
Deputy Head

REPLY SLIP
ISLE OF WIGHT 2018

I would like my child..... to take part in the residential visit to the Isle of Wight 2018.

I enclose the non-returnable deposit of £100.....

Signed.....

Child's Teacher.....

Please note. Forms that are received without the deposit will not reserve a place for your child, so please do not return the form if you would like your child to attend without payment. Thank you.

