



5th May 2021

Dear Parents,

One of the highlights for Year 4 is their residential trip to Hooke Court. Sadly, this could not happen this year due to the pandemic.

Two important reasons for our Hooke Court residential are to allow the children to stay away from home and for the children to make friends with other Year 4 children from our local schools who will be going to St Mary's Middle School with them in September. We were given the opportunity of potentially visiting Hooke Court at the end of the summer term but, without it being a residential and without the children being able to socialise with other Year 4 pupils, we felt that the benefits of Hooke Court were limited. We still wanted the children to have a special trip this year and, therefore, we have decided to do something a bit different!

On **Thursday 24th June**, Year 4 will be visiting the Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy for a day of fun on the water. During the day, the children will take part in Sailing, Kayaking and MegaSUP games. Children do not need to have any swimming ability to take part in the activities as they will be wearing buoyancy aids throughout the session. The Sailing Academy have advised that for any non-swimmers they will also work on water confidence throughout the day.

Children will need to be **at school promptly for 8.25am** ready to leave at 8.30am. They will not return to school until approximately **5.15pm**. More details to follow nearer the time.

The cost of the trip is £55 per child. We would like to thank the PTFA who have kindly agreed to donate £240 to cover the cost of the coach.

For the day, children will need to wear warm play clothes. They will need to bring with them:

- closed toe shoes (essential – these will be in addition to the shoes they wear on the day – as they will get wet!);
- swimwear for under a wetsuit;
- a towel;
- sun cream
- a packed lunch with plenty of snacks and drinks. These all need to be in a small rucksack.

The Sailing Academy will provide children with a Wetsuit; Buoyancy Aid, Spray Top and Helmet.

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Parents must complete an indemnity form online before the trip via the below link:

<https://bit.ly/3ePwV6S>

Please note that if an indemnity form is not completed, in full, your child will not be able to take part in any of the activities.

If you need any help in completing the form or access to a computer, please speak to the staff in the office.

For children in receipt of free school meals, we are able to order an away day packed lunch. The lunch from Local food Links consists of: Filled roll (cheese, tuna mayo or ham), a piece of fruit, lentil waves, homemade flapjack. **You will need to provide a drink and extra snacks.**

We are really looking forward to the day and hope the children will have a memorable day. A few years ago, our Year 4 pupils visited the sailing academy and had an absolutely fabulous day.

Please complete the slip below to give permission for your child to go on this visit **also advising if they require an away day lunch to be ordered.**

Risk Assessments will be available at school for any parents wishing to see them.

I give permission for _____ to travel to the

Weymouth and Portland National Sailing Academy and take part in all the activities.

I enclose a contribution of ☐ £55.

I wish to use part of my child's Pupil Premium Allowance towards the cost of visit ☐

I **do** require an away day packed lunch to be ordered from Local Food Links (my child is in receipt of free school meals):

Please circle your choice of roll:

Cheese

Tuna Mayo

Ham

Signed _____