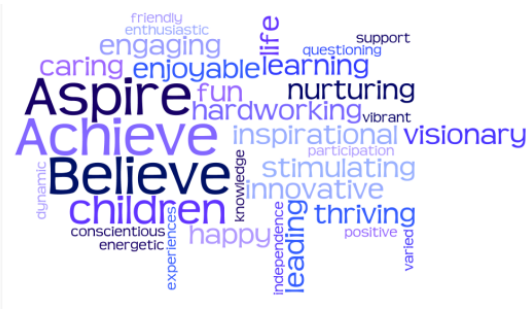


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Dear Parents/Carers,

Residential Trip to Maes y Lade, Wales

We are delighted to be taking the children on a **5-day residential trip to Maes y Lade in Wales from Monday 2nd – Friday 6th November.** This will be an exciting opportunity for the children to develop their independence, teamwork and resilience while experiencing a range of outdoor activities in a beautiful setting.

Venue:
Maes y Lade
Llangattock
Crickhowell
Powys
Wales
NP8 1LE

The children will travel to and from Wales by **coach and minibus**, accompanied by members of the school staff. We will be leaving just after morning registration on Monday 2nd November please drop your child to school at 08:20am via the school office. They will be registered in the KS2 hall before boarding the coach, parents are welcome to wait with them until they are ready to leave.

During the residential, the children will take part in a range of outdoor and adventurous activities, which may include:

- Caving
- Kayaking/canoeing
- Mountain walking
- Gorge walking
- Other outdoor and team-building activities

All activities will be supervised by qualified outward-bound instructors, with school staff supporting the children throughout the trip. Any specialist equipment required for the activities will be provided.



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All food and drink will be provided for the duration of the residential, including breakfast, lunch, dinner and refreshments.

For the journey on the first day, children will need to bring a packed lunch. Please ensure that this is packed in disposable wrappers/containers, as we will not be able to store or return reusable lunch boxes. Food must not contain any nuts.

Children must bring all items listed on the residential kit list (to follow separately). Please check the list carefully and ensure that everything is clearly labelled with your child's name.

Specialist equipment required for the activities will be provided by the centre, so there is no need to purchase or bring specialist outdoor equipment unless specifically stated on the kit list.

Before the residential, we must have received the following for every child attending:

- A **signed behaviour contract**
- Completed and **signed medication information**
- Full information regarding any **dietary requirements or allergies**

It is particularly important that all medical and dietary information is accurate and up to date so that we can ensure the children are appropriately supported throughout their stay.

Please be aware that there is very limited to no mobile phone reception at the venue. Updates about the residential will therefore be sent to parents/carers via ParentMail. The school will do its best to provide daily updates, including photographs and information about the children's activities, as and when we are able to do so. We appreciate your understanding that updates may not always be possible each day due to the limited connectivity at the venue.

The children will return on **Friday 6th November**. Please ensure that you are **available to collect your child on the Friday afternoon/evening**, as the exact arrival time may be affected by traffic and other unforeseen delays.

We will provide an estimated arrival time and keep parents/carers updated as the journey progresses.



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Please complete the form in Parent mail to acknowledge that you give permission for your child to attend and that you have read all the information carefully.

We are very much looking forward to what promises to be an exciting and memorable experience for the children. The residential will provide them with opportunities to challenge themselves, work together and enjoy a range of activities that they may not normally have the opportunity to experience.

Thank you for your support in helping us to make the trip a safe, enjoyable and successful experience for everyone.

Yours sincerely,

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind Regards

Mrs Pike
Executive Headteacher