TRAFFORD HALL 2026



WEDNESDAY 6TH MAY – FRIDAY 8TH MAY 2026

YHA Chester Trafford Hall

Ince Lane, Wimbolds Trafford, Chester, Cheshire West and Chester, CH2 4JP

Map references

OS Map: 266

OS Grid Ref: SJ451721

Lat/Lng: 53.243599, -2.823851

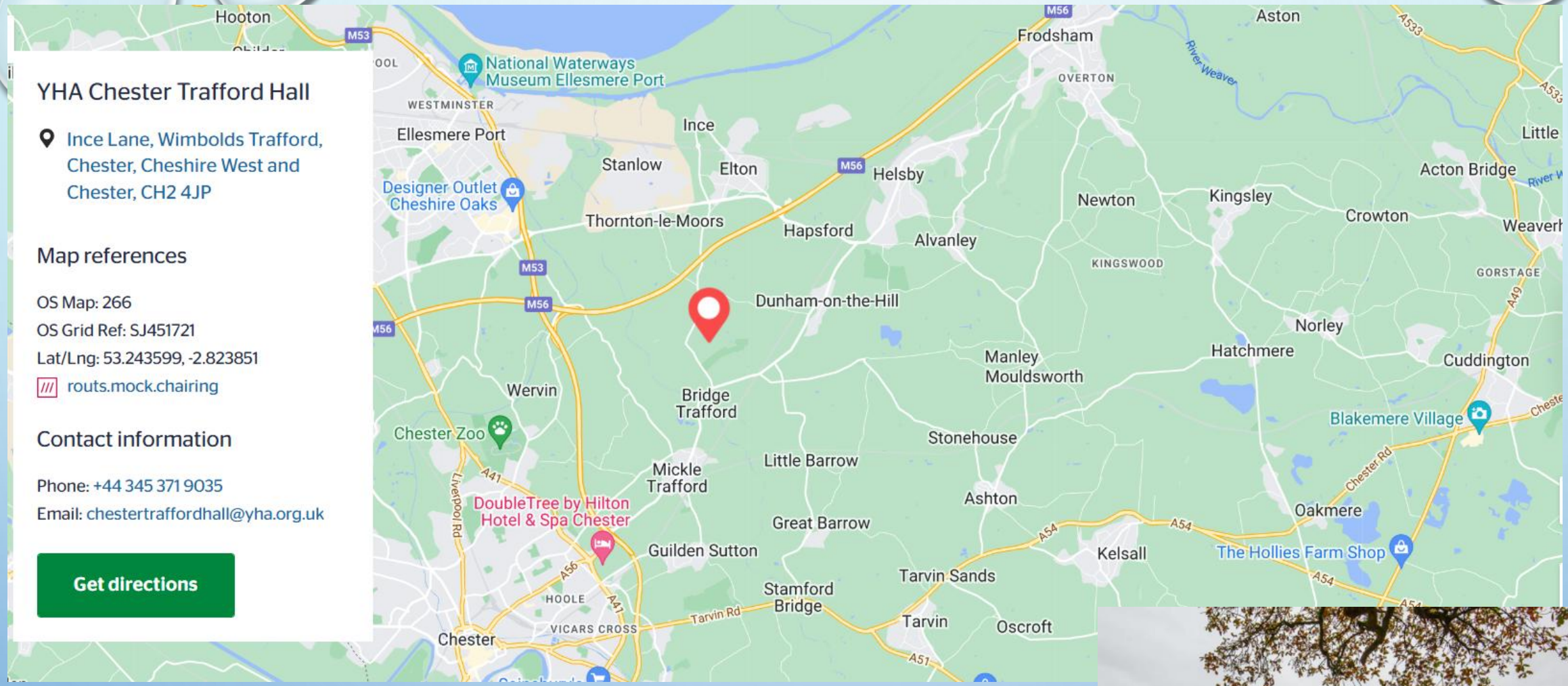
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Get directions



Directions: If you are using a sat nav or Google Maps, please use the full hostel address: YHA Chester Trafford Hall, Ince Lane, Wimbolds Trafford, Chester, CH2 4JP. Using only the hostel's postcode will take you to a private property on the same road.



COSTINGS

Insurance – children are covered through school, but you may wish to take out your own insurance policy.

We will be using a Cheshire approved coach company

- THE OUTSTANDING BALANCE PAID BY **31ST MARCH 2026,** VIA THE **MCAS APP**



What is purpose of the trip

- To learn in a different environment with an educational focus on **outdoor learning**.
- Experience **independence** away from home. Providing new experiences and further basic skills (bed making, serving food, clearing tables etc)
- To demonstrate the ability to **listen** and act accordingly to **instructions**
- To work **collaboratively** as part of a team, supporting, communicating and recognising the achievements of their peers
- Leading in team challenges
- Resolve problems
- To demonstrate resilience and self-motivation.
- To show an awareness and understanding of environment



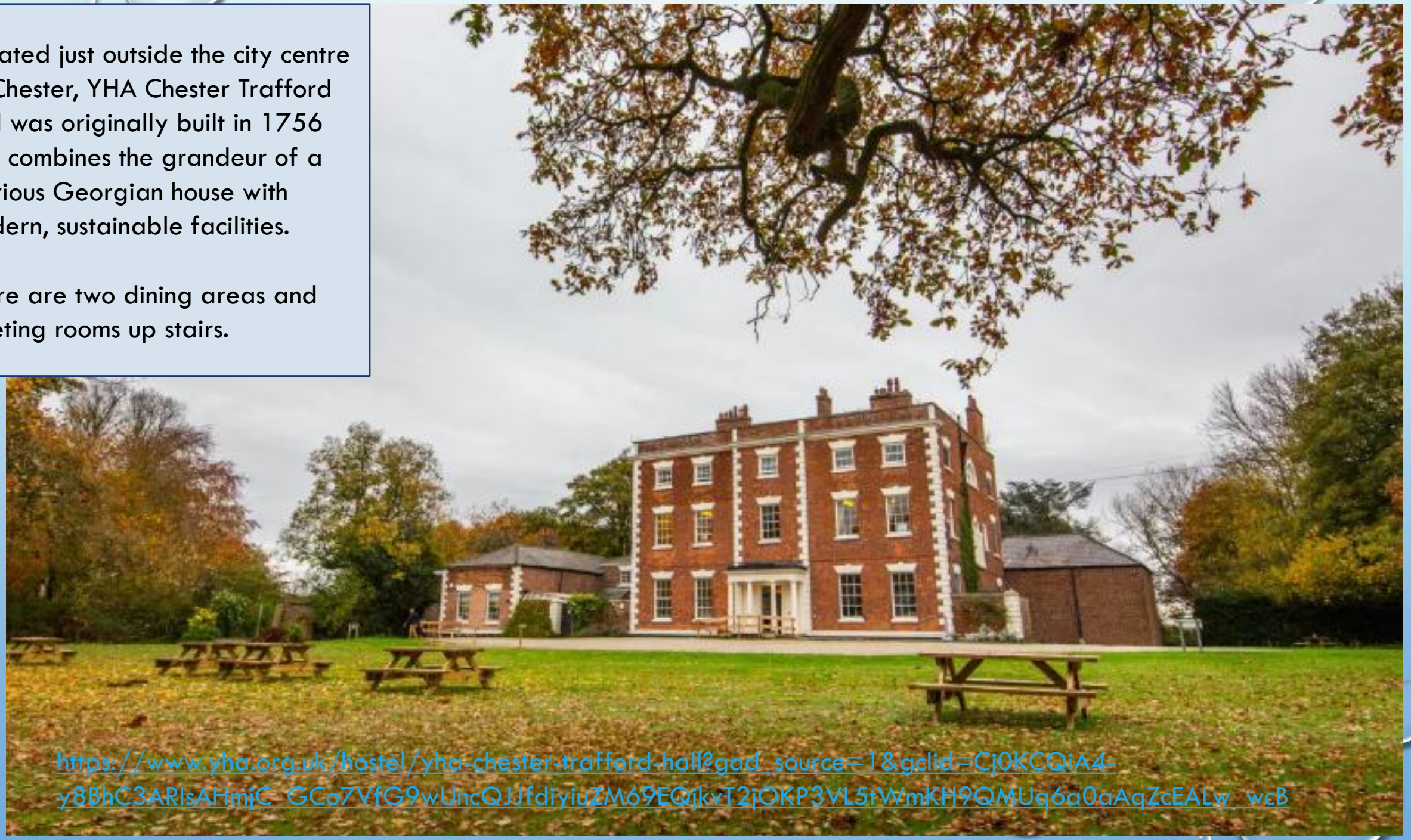


Who is coming?

Mrs Chadwick
Miss Cork

Situated just outside the city centre of Chester, YHA Chester Trafford Hall was originally built in 1756 and combines the grandeur of a glorious Georgian house with modern, sustainable facilities.

There are two dining areas and meeting rooms up stairs.



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There are also 14 acres of grounds complete with nature walks and landscaped gardens to explore.















Private en-suite rooms



For added privacy, relax with your family, friends or by yourself in a private en-suite room.

Private en-suite rooms typically include a storage cupboard and reading light for each bed, plus shower and toilet facilities solely for the people in your room.

YHA Chester Trafford Hall's bedrooms are located in our eco-friendly chalet accommodation, based near the hall and powered by renewable energy.





Breakfast(s) :-	Evening Meal(s) :-
06:45am till 07:15am 07:30am till 08:00am 08:15am till 08:45am 09:00am till 09:30am	16:00pm till 16:45pm 17:00pm till 17:45pm 18:00pm till 18:45pm 19:00pm till 19:45pm

Breakfast
The YHA breakfast consists of a continental buffet from which you may help yourself and a cooked full / vegetarian English breakfast served by their team.

Packed Lunch
Packed lunches contain a sandwich, bag of crisps, biscuit bar, and piece of fruit.
Everyone in the group must bring a refillable water bottle with them.

Dietary requirements
They cater for most dietary requirements such as Vegan, Gluten free, Halal & Dairy free diets.
We will let the hostel know and they will be able to advise us on the options available.

Please note: Some of our dishes contain/may contain nuts, eggs and other allergens, and several ingredients are produced in a factory which handles these; we cannot guarantee our kitchens are free of allergens.

Wednesday	Evening meal
Pasta and Veggie Meatballs with Garlic Bread (v) – 654 kcal	
Jacket potato with cheese & beans (optional) (v) – 657 kcal	
Alabama Chocolate Fudge Cake – 447 kcal	
Choc ice (v) – 171 kcal	
Fresh fruit (v)	
Thursday	
Classic Cheeseburger and Fries – 810 kcal	
Veggie Burger and Fries (v) – 768 kcal	
Jacket potato with cheese & beans (optional) (v) – 657 kcal	
Sugared waffles with caramel sauce and cream (v) – 432 kcal	
Choc ice (v) – 171 kcal	
Fresh fruit (v)	

All the in-house activities are delivered by trained, DBS-checked staff who are skilled at leading engaging activities.

The activities are suitable for cross-curricular learning using the hostel surroundings.

Teachers will participate and support in all activities.







Activities (Subject to availability)

- archery
- creative thinking
- Egg rockets
- Environmental art
- Fencing
- Fire pit and storytelling
- Orienteering/map work
- Habitat building
- Problem solving
- Team building
- Team challenges
- Woodland explorers









🔮 **Night Line** An exploration of the senses. This is a great **team activity.** The Nightline is essentially a rope which is there to guide you through a series of obstacles. Throughout the course participants will be **blindfolded** which will require you to call on your senses other than eyesight and communicate with your team around you.







Fencing Fencing is a combat sport that features sword fighting. With plastic foil's face guards' groups will get to grip the basic of fencing and the art of dueling

🚩 **Orienteering** An exciting outdoor activity that exercises mind and body. The aim is to **navigate between checkpoints** or controls **marked on a special map**. There is no set route, so the skill and fun come from trying to find the best way to go.

🚀 **Rokit** Build and launch a water rocket that will carry a precious cargo up into the sky and bring it back down safely. This is a great activity to encourage teamwork and explores the idea of forces and aerodynamics.





Buggy Building Working as a team design and build your own buggy that you could put to the test. Using barrels, wooden poles and ropes design your buggy and remember to design how to make it stop too. If you know your knots or need some extra help there is a booklet guide on how to tie knots. Remember to check each knot before use.

🏁 **Team Challenges** The core idea behind team challenges is to empower individuals to contribute to common goals. The very success of the group depends on their ability to work together as a team. A series of active challenges will be set up for the group to complete. This may be run with the help of school staff leading some of the stations.





⛺ **Shelter building** by discussing what advantages a shelter can have, students will then have the chance to construct assorted designs of shelter for different conditions. Using the assorted designs groups will then have the knowledge to build a shelter suitable for a given scenario.

Group 1	Day 1		Day 2	Day 3
Activity	**Arrive** **Packed lunch brought with**		**Activities: 9:30**	**Activities: 09.30**
			Orienteering	Shelter Building
			Loo stop	Loo stop
			Buggy Building	Environmental art
			Lunch: 12.30	**Lunch: 12:30**
	Activities: 13.30		**Activities: 13.30**	**Depart**
Activity	Fencing		Team Challenges	
	Loo stop		Loo stop	
	Archery 45 min session half the group	Self-lead activity	Night line	
	Evening Meal: T.B.C.		**Evening Meal: T.B.C.**	
	Evening activity		**Evening activity**	
Activity	**YHA On site** **Egg rockets**		**YHA On site** **Camp fire**	

Medicines



- Each child needs to fill in a form C prior to departure.
- This should list any medications and allergies that your child has.
- On the morning of the trip, a designated first aider will set up her counter at the front of the hall. They will be collecting medication from the adult dropping off the child. Each item of medication MUST have a form filled in to state what it is, how often it is required and how much. They will be responsible for administering this during the trip and each time your child does have any medication, this will be recorded.
- We cannot take medicines that are not prescribed for your child such as ibruprofen.
- However, we can take hayfever medicines and strongly advise you to supply these if your child does suffer from this. Much of each day will be spent outside and we want everyone to enjoy their time on the residential

CONTACT

- During the trip we do not encourage children to contact their parents. This can be upsetting for both parties and one of the chief aims of the trip is to encourage independence. We cannot allow any mobile phones for this reason and for safeguarding reasons.
- If there are circumstances where you need to contact the children in an emergency, there is a protocol in place. You should firstly contact school who will then contact me at the centre. If it is nighttime, at this point, you should only call the centre.
- If there is any need to contact, you. We will be taking a list of phone numbers along with the form c's. Please don't be alarmed – this may just be to check something small!



Kit list

We provide all the essentials that your group needs for their stay. The following personal items will prove useful to each participant.

You might need:

- casual trousers suitable for outdoor activities
- shorts
- t-shirts
- jumpers
- waterproof coat
- two pairs of shoes including one pair of trainers
- hat and gloves/sun hat and sun cream
- pyjamas
- underwear and socks
- towel(s)
- laundry bag/plastic bag for wet/dirty clothes
- toiletries
- prescribed medication
- refillable water bottle

Please ask that all belongings are named.



RETURNING TO SCHOOL

We aim to be back at Lower Park by 3.00 pm.

We need to know who is picking up each child.

If your child is attending an afterschool club, please let us know **before** the trip so we can plan for this.

Regarding the return time, you will receive a text to let you know when we are 20 minutes away. There are occasions when the traffic can delay the return.





- You may bring a teddy – one is usually enough (whatever you pack, you carry!)
- It is a good idea to bring a book/magazine/ small game/colouring. There is downtime where there is time to fill (such as before the rest of the children are awake). Reading a book at this time is a fabulous way to fill your time!
- No electrical games or valuables
- Must bring a refillable water bottle

What do we expect from the children?

- Manners and politeness - teachers and the centre staff are going to a lot of trouble to make this the best possible experience. Listen well, try your best, even when it is really challenging, and don't forget your please and thank you. (Lower Park have a wonderful reputation which we are sure will continue).
- Respect each other – use common sense and make sure that friends have as good a time as you would like to have. Remember that everyone is different, like different things, and respect this.
- Follow the rules of the centre, and school rules, while we are there. We do have a hotline to Mrs Lomas which we have not had to use for a long time! Anyone not following the rules will be sent home!
- Enjoy yourselves and support others.