Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Parents and Carers of Year 5 and 6

**Residential Trip to Linnet Clough**

We are excited to announce that we have booked to take our Year 5 & Year 6 class to Linnet Clough. It will be two full days of activities and a one-night stay from Thursday 3rd July until Friday 4th July 2025.

Although this is a trip that normally takes place for Year 6 children, with having a split Year 5 class, we felt it was only fair to offer it to the full Year 5 class, meaning no Year 5’s miss out.

Linnet Clough is an all-year-round Scout, Guide Campsite and Activity Centre in Mellor. More details can be found on their website:

<https://www.linnetclough.org.uk/>

We will leave school in the morning and travel by train to Marple where we will walk to the Activity Centre. The children’s bags will be taken separately.

During the stay, the children will take part in the following activities: Archery, Zip lining, Crate tower – these will all be run by qualified instructors. We have also organised a number of self-run activities from a cave bus to campfires. The children will, therefore, have the opportunity to develop their social and communication skills, their own independence and their problem-solving capabilities in a different, outdoor environment. We cannot wait!!! There is a waiting list for staff that want to attend!!

We have run this trip for three years now and each year it gets better and better.

The cost of the trip is £100. This is based on the charge of the accommodation, the activities, food and travel. Local primary schools are charging closer to £295 so we have worked hard to make this good value for money. We also appreciate that paying £100 in one go can be a challenge so we have set out a proposed payment plan. As long as deadlines are met, there is flexibility in when you pay. Alternatively, you can pay in full if you prefer. If you are worried about paying, please come to the office and have a chat.

To reserve a place for your child, a **non-returnable** deposit of £20 is required by Monday 30th September 2024. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough interest to make the trip viable the school may regretfully have to cancel the trip.

There are then 8 further payment deadlines, which are as follows

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| **Payment Date** | **Payment Required** | **Balance Left To Pay**  |
| 31st October 2024 | £10 | £70 |
| 29th November 2024 | £10 | £60 |
| 31st December 2024 | £10 | £50 |
| 31st January 2025 | £10 | £40 |
| 28th February 2025 | £10 | £30 |
| 31st March 2025 | £10 | £20 |
| 30th April 2025 | £10 | £10 |
| 23rd May 2025 | £10 Final Payment |  |

Payments are to be made by card via School Spider. You can also pay at the school office in cash.

Please can we ask that you complete the consent form on School Spider or by filling in the form below, even if you decide that your child will not be participating.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs E Harding

Headteacher

My child’s name: ­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_Year group: \_\_\_

I give consent for my child to attend the Year 5/6 residential to Linnet Clough on the 3rd and 4th July 2025.

Yes / No (delete as appropriate)

Signature of parent / guardian: ­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­­\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_