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Dear Parent / Carer

CHANGES TO THE RESIDENTIAL VISIT

Normally at this time of the year, I would be writing to you to invite you to request a place for your children the Year 5 and Year 6 Residential Visit to the Education Away Centre in North Wales, which has been the venue for the event since 1993.

This year, I have to give the sad news that, as the result of the impact of two years without school visits due to Covid-19, Richard Welch who owns the centre has informed me that the centre has closed. This brings to an end a very long association between the school and Education Away, and some of you reading this, as parents, will have made a visit there in the past.

WHAT WILL BE THE REPLACEMENT?

There will be some changes, not only to the venue, but to the children who are invited to attend the Residential Visit.

Our new centre will be The High Adventure Holiday Centre at Cowling, near Skipton , and we have provisionally booked a visit there from Sunday 17th July to Thursday 21st July 2022. I made a visit to the centre at the end of last term, and I am satisfied that it is an excellent venue for our Residential, offering a very wide range of outdoor activities that will challenge children in many different ways.

However, going forward the visit will just be for Year 6 children rather than a combined Year 5 and Year 6 visit.

This is because the visit will be completely free-of-charge for all Year 6 pupils who attend, in the future. We have seen the benefits to the children that they gain from this type of Residential Visit and by making it free to all Year 6 pupils, we want every child to attend and gain the experience offered by it.

The cost of a visit to High Adventure is much more expensive than the previous visit to Education Away because of the wide range of outdoor activities that are provided - costing around £360 per child. Providing it free to all children when they are in Year 6

can be afforded by the school each year, but not if this was extended to Year 5 children as well.

I will write to Year 6 parents again in the near future, with more details of the trip. At that time, you will have the opportunity to reserve a place for your child.

The website of High Adventure is below.

<https://highadventure.co.uk/>

Click on School Trips then Primary Schools.

Yours sincerely,

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HEADTEACHER