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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 Residential Visit to The Charterhouse Centre, from 2nd to 4th June 2025

I am writing to confirm that there will be a residential trip planned for Year 6 next year.

We have thought long and hard on the feedback we have received from families especially around the cost of the residential which has risen year on year. Therefore, we have made the following decision:

The residential will be based at <u>The Charter House Centre</u> (near Cheddar in the Mendip Hills) which comes highly recommended - including from Mrs Rapsey (our former Year 6 teacher, who ran Year 6 residentials at Brookside for many years). The residential will be for 3 full days with activities on all days, such as:

Caving, Abseiling, Climbing, Archery, Orienteering, Shelter Building/Bushcraft, Water Sports (e.g. Paddle Boarding), Pond Dipping, Rocket Building, etc.

The residential will be led by teachers and assisted by support staff. The total cost of the visit is £268 per child.

We need to pay a deposit in order to secure the booking. If you would like your child to attend, please ensure the non-refundable deposit of £68 is paid on ParentPay by 12 noon on Friday, 5th July 2024

Further payments must be made by the following dates - <u>please ensure you make a note of these dates as no further reminders will be sent.</u> If payments are not received by each deadline (below) the Academy will regretfully assume your child is no longer attending the exciting adventure:

£50.00 by 30th September 2024 £50.00 by 30th November 2024 £50.00 by 31st January 2025 £50.00 to make the full payment by the deadline of 31st March 2025.

If you are struggling with payment, it is vital that you speak to Mr Walton as soon as possible. The Academy does not have funds to provide a residential but the Academy aims for all children to take part in the Year 6 Residential.

The Academy retains the following rights:

- to withdraw any pupil at any stage from the above visit if deemed necessary;
- to make changes to the above details subject to conditions;
- to cancel the visit should contributions not be forthcoming and sufficient funds are not received to meet the cost of the trip/activity.

Insurance

Brookside Academy only provides cover against proven or agreed negligence by the Academy and its employees. Parents may wish to make their own insurance arrangements for personal accident cover for their children.

Nearer the time, we will hold a meeting about the residential, where you will be able to ask questions you may have, and hear about arrangements and preparation.

Yours sincerely

Brian Walton