



18 September 2024

Our Ref: Y5/SM/ironinital/cmc

TO: **ALL YEAR 5 PARENTS/CARERS**

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: **IRONBRIDGE RESIDENTIAL 2024 - 2025**

As mentioned in our letter of 11 June 2024, we are delighted to be able to confirm that our residential for 2025 has been booked! We feel it is important for everyone to have an outline itinerary and guide to costs so that plans may be made accordingly.

The children will be accompanied on this trip by teaching and support staff. Accommodation will be in the Wilderhope Youth Hostel which will be for our sole use. Children will be provided with full breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal each day of their stay. Additional dietary requirements can be catered for.

We have booked 2 trips:

Monday 12 May 2025 to Wednesday 14 May 2025
Wednesday 14 May 2025 to Friday 16 May 2025

Parents will be notified during the spring term which dates their child will attend.

The programme of the visits in Ironbridge consists of a variety of historical and geographical topics which will enhance and build upon both the Year 4 and Year 5 curricula. An outline below is included for your interest:

Leave school at 9:00am with a packed lunch on either Monday or Wednesday – children should arrive at school at 8:30am.

During the 3 day trip the children will visit Enginuity Science Museum for an afternoon or morning. This will involve taking part in a workshop on Downhill Buggies and a chance to explore the hands-on science work stations.

The children will spend a whole day at Blists Hill Outdoor Museum. This is an outstanding museum, which consists of a reconstructed Victorian Town complete with tradesmen and women in residence in all the shops, homes, mines etc. Children have the opportunity to change their money to 'old pennies' in the Victorian Bank on arrival and make all purchases in pounds, shillings and pence. It is a very exciting visit and a wonderful opportunity to learn about life in the past.

A half day visit to Jackfield Tile Centre provides an opportunity for the children to understand something of the industry of this area and the history of Victorian tiles. Children will learn about the total process of tile production and then have the opportunity to use their designs (designed at school prior to the visit) and decorate their own tile in a workshop session. (Their tiles will be sent to the school once they have been fired and the children will be able to keep them as a lasting memento of their visit!).



The children will have an opportunity to go on a night walk and/or play outdoor games.

The children will return to Boxgrove at approximately 5:00pm - 5:30pm on either Wednesday or Friday.

The total voluntary contribution needed will be £185. Pupils will not be excluded from the visit because parents are not in a position to contribute, but as we are not able to fund the activity in any other way it will be cancelled unless we cover costs. Below is a suggested payment plan, you are of course to pay in whichever way suits your family budget; payment for the trip will need to be made before the trip date. If you are experiencing financial difficulty please refer to our Hardship Fund Policy, which you will find on our website.

Please note that all payments must be made using our online payment system. Please confirm that you would like your child to attend by ticking the consent box on the payment system.

We will send you a medical questionnaire to complete prior to the trip to confirm up to date information for your child. If you have any questions about this trip, please discuss them with your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely



Alison Fitch
Headteacher



Rebecca Stacey
Headteacher

Sarah Mackay
Year 5

Suggested Payment Plan

1 st Instalment (non-refundable deposit) - 29 November 2024	£ 50.00
2 nd Instalment – 28 February 2025	£ 50.00
3 rd Instalment – 28 March 2025	£ 50.00
4 th Instalment – 25 April 2025	£ 35.00

TOTAL **£185.00**