



Tibshelf Community School
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Alfreton
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27th June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

The Hereford 2024 residential trip is upon us, and we hope your child is excited to gain lots of new enjoyable experiences with all the fun activities we have planned.

Your child needs to meet in the Sports Hall on Sunday 7th July at 8:30am with all their luggage and belongings. Parents are not allowed into the school building so please say your goodbyes before you reach reception. On Wednesday 10th July we aim to be back in Tibshelf at around 3pm; on the journey home we will send a message via the Arbor app with a more accurate time.

I am happy to inform you every child is able to do their activity choices during the Oakerwood activity day (paintballing/rafting/high ropes). Students will be in groups for this day with their peers who had the same activity choices.

If your child has any prescribed / pain relief medication to take during the trip, please ensure this is fully labelled and there is enough for the child to use if needed. The medication must be given to their staff group leader on the morning of departure to keep and remind your child when to use the medication. If your child wishes to carry eyedrops for hayfever this can be kept with the child and be their responsibility.

During the trip students will be very busy doing a variety of activities at Dunfield house and in the surrounding areas of Hereford, however they will have free time each day at the house to relax and play in the grounds. Mobile phones are only to be used during free time each day to ensure students are 'in the moment' and not distracted when doing activities or at mealtimes. Your child is welcome to contact home during the free time periods.

If your child experiences any issues during the trip they need to speak with a staff member first before contacting home. This prevents any miscommunication and allows us to deal with any problems immediately as we are in 'loco parentis' whilst we are away. If staff feel the issue is serious and parents/guardians need to be informed, we will contact you.

The weather is forecast to be quite mixed, rain and sun, please ensure your child has sufficient amount of suncream, a sun hat, refillable water bottle and sunglasses if they wish but also waterproofs too. We are unable to provide students with any of these items so please ensure they have been packed.

Finally, a reminder to check your child's luggage to ensure there are no inappropriate items which are not allowed in school or on school trips as per our trip behaviour protocol policy.

Kind Regards,

Miss Thorpe

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