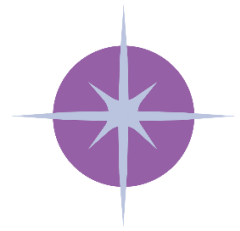




# Abbas and Templecombe Church School

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## Year Five Residential Experience – Booking Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are pleased to announce the Year Five Residential for this academic year.

This year's residential trip will be to Braggers Wood Scouting site in the New Forest.

We will be travelling to Braggers Wood by minibus, approximately an hour and a half away – Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April (start of school day) to Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April (end of school day).

As parents will be aware I am hosting a presentation on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November at 3.35pm in Zephaniah Class. If you are unable to join us then the presentation will be on our website <https://abbastemplecombeprimary.co.uk/learning/residential-trips/> in the days following this meeting. If you have any questions please do just ask.

Last years' trip to the New Forest was great fun and full of memorable experiences for all the children; please see below for details of this 3 day, 2 night residential experience.

The cost will be **£140** and this includes:

- ◆ 2 nights full board accommodation, including meals, drinks, etc.
- ◆ Coach travel
- ◆ A great range of adventurous activities
- ◆ Evening entertainment

Pupils will need to bring bedding - a sleeping bag, under sheet and pillow.

Activities will include:

Gladiator Challenge



Orienteering



Camp fire

Pedal Go Karts



Winchester Science Museum



Archery

Aeroball



Traverse Wall



Wide Games



Braggers Wood is a well-established residential site catering for schools and children’s groups. It is a Scouting site (hence a very good midweek rate). We will be self-catering, something we as a school are used to doing on residential as it helps to keep costs reasonable for parents. Breakfast will be cereals, toast and juice. Pupils will make their own packed lunches and I will discuss with the children, before we go away, what kinds of food they would like for dinner. Staff hold food hygiene certificates and are used to catering for this number of people.

We will be sleeping in our own accommodation block with boys sharing bunk bedded rooms and girls sharing bunk bedded rooms. Boys and girls will not be allowed in each other’s rooms and will have separate toilets and showers. We will also have use of a hall and a fully equipped catering kitchen. School staff will be supervising children at all times and any outdoor adventurous activities will be supervised by qualified instructors. Staff have their own bedrooms which are spaced between the children’s rooms. St. Nicholas School will also be at the same site but in their own building.

The Accommodation



The Site



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The cost of this residential is based on all pupils attending and could alter very slightly depending on uptake (£10). Any child not attending will be expected to attend school and will be in class with the Year 6 children for the duration of the trip.

The payment deadlines will be:

- 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024 - **£20** – Deposit (non-refundable)
- 7<sup>th</sup> February 2025 - **£60** – 2<sup>nd</sup> payment
- 4<sup>th</sup> April 2025 - **£60** – Final payment

You are welcome to make payments of any size and at any point along this timeline - as long as you fulfill the minimum amounts.

Please understand that by signing up for the New Forest trip, you are agreeing to meet the payment deadlines set out above - the school cannot cover the cost of any missed payments and the deposit is non-refundable. If at any point you are struggling to make a payment please contact the office so they can discuss a way forward with you.

Please use the Parentmail app to give your consent and pay the £20 deposit no later than Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December to confirm your child’s place. We have access to a special fund for pupils that are or have recently been in receipt of free school meals. If this applies to your child please do contact Mrs Greene to find out about the assistance we can provide towards these payment amounts.

Please access this link <https://forms.office.com/e/cyXdshn4Dq> to read and agree the behaviour code of conduct, give permission for your child to attend the residential and opt in or out of permission for images / videos to be taken and shared.

We very much hope that your child will be able to come on this excellent trip.

*Mr J Webb*  
Executive Head Teacher / Educational Visits Co-ordinator