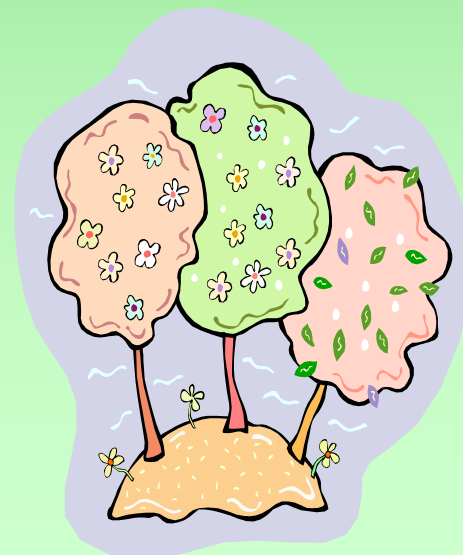




Year 4 residential visit to the Gordon Brown Outdoor Education Centre May 2020

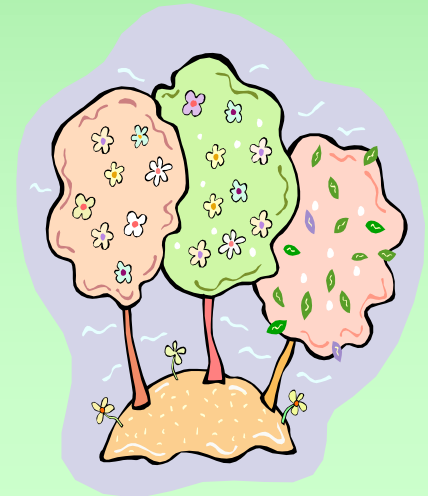
Our aim for this meeting is to give you a brief outline and taster of what your children will enjoy and experience.

There will be another meeting for parents closer to the visit date to give you details and expectations and answer your questions.



Gordon Brown Outdoor Education Centre

- In Year 3 your children visited the Centre on 3 separate days and enjoyed building shelters and a gladiator training course
- In Year 4, all 3 classes will go together from Monday 18th May to Wednesday 20th May 2020



Where is the Gordon Brown Centre?

- The Centre is in Rotherwick, which is close to Hook in Hampshire
- It is 43.6 miles and approx.58 mins from school via the M25, M3 and A287
- Originally, part of a family estate the grounds, which cover 25 acres, are set in a conservation area and benefit from a wealth of natural charms and designed facilities that provide children with a lifelong experience.



Roundhouse

Camp Fire

Trim Trial

Shrubbery

Main building/
Dining hall



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| 1 CAR PARK 1 | 5 CHICKENS | 9 CAR PARK 2 | 13 LOW ROPES COURSE | 17 CLAY PIT | 21 GOATS | 25 SHRUBBERY |
| 2 MAIN BUILDING / DINING HALL | 6 RABBITS | 10 IRON AGE ROUNDHOUSE | 14 LASER GUN VILLAGE | 18 ARCHERY RANGE | 22 FIRE MAKING WOODLAND | 26 TRIM TRAIL COURSE |
| 3 OUTDOOR CUBS | 7 TUCK SHOP | 11 CAMPING VILLAGE | 15 DEN BUILDING | 19 BEE KEEPING | 23 POND DIPPING AREA | 27 CAMP FIRE AREA |
| 4 PIGS | 8 PICNIC AREA 1 | 12 PICNIC AREA 2 | 16 HIGH ROPES / CLIMBING WALL | 20 DONKEYS | 24 GROWING GARDEN | 28 CAMP FIRE AREA |
| | | | | | | 29 CLASSROOM |

Den building area

Visit costs

- Cost for 2 ½ days and 2 nights approx. £140.00 - Deposit £50 by 14th February via ParentPay
- This includes:
- Coach travel
- All meals – breakfast, lunch, evening meals, hot chocolate
- Cost of activities run by site staff

What is the accommodation like?

- We will be staying in 2 buildings
- Main building
- Shrubbery – new build
- Both buildings have boys' and girls' dormitories and staff bedrooms next to them
- Both buildings have toilets and showering facilities
- The kitchen and dining room are located in the Main Building



Organisation of the visit.

Don't be scared to try something new!

Monday

- All 3 classes leave between 9.15-9.30am to go to Gordon Brown Centre
- Arrive approx. 11.00am
- Unpack, snack, site and safety talk
- Lunch 12:30
- Activity
- Tea 5:30
- Evening activity
- Hot chocolate 8:30
- 10pm lights out /doors locked!

Tuesday

- Breakfast 8:00
- Activity
- Lunch 12:30
- Activity
- Tea 5:30
- Camp Fire
- Hot chocolate 8:30

Wednesday

- Breakfast 8:00
- Tidy rooms and pack – by 10:00
- Activity
- Lunch and Leave Centre at approx. 1:30

Gordon Brown Centre

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- Food - vegetarian options and dietary requirements/allergies are catered for
- Private and safe area
- School staff will be staying with the children but also Centre staff are on-site all the time – day and night
- First Aiders are on site but there is a local Doctors' surgery and hospital nearby
- We will have a staff car on site
- 10pm GBC staff go off duty (but stay on site) and we lock up

What next?

We will be talking to the children about the visit and then:

- You will receive a letter detailing the costings and asking for commitment to the visit with a deposit of £50
- We will ask for information about dietary requirements, medical issues and any other essential information we need to know
- We will hold a fuller parents' information meeting - clothes list, itinerary, rules, activities, etc
- **Please come and speak to us if you have any concerns, as we are aiming for all children to be involved**
- We will all read the forms you return carefully and have numerous staff meetings to prepare for the visit. We will also be carrying out a pre-visit after half term.

What next?

- Please let the school know, in confidence, if you need help meeting the cost. As part of the letter that will be sent after this meeting, there will be a link where you will be able to check if you are eligible, which may entitle you to get support with the funding of this trip.
- If you need the school to carry out the check on your behalf, then please contact the school office immediately, so that we could offer this service to you. We are more than happy to support you with this process.

Any questions?

