



BENTLEY C. E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

YEAR 5 RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO CALSHOT – MAY 2019

Dear Parents

At Bentley C E Primary School each and every child is offered a broad and balanced curriculum accessed through active learning opportunities with appropriate chances for enrichment. School visits and residential trips are an essential and integral part of our curriculum offer. They provide an essential resource for the teaching of the National Curriculum including geography, history, problem solving, science and physical education but even more crucially, an opportunity to extend our children's personal, social and emotional development.

Your child will be offered a residential visit later in Year 5 to Calshot Activity Centre. Staff and Governors feel that these trips are of great value to the children and this has been recognised by parents, pupils and feedback about our Bentley curriculum from Inspectors.

In a prime location on the shores of the Solent, Calshot Activities Centre is one of the largest outdoor adventure centres in Britain. Their outdoor learning programme is focused on helping young people develop mental and physical resilience and confidence. Students learn to look after themselves and others, while achieving success through exciting outdoor activities in new and inspiring lessons which could not be provided at school.

Their top class facilities, excellent equipment and experienced staff combine to make the children's stay at Calshot a truly memorable experience. With a superb programme of activities throughout the day and into the evening, this trip really does help to build confidence and develop new skills.

Your Year 5 child will be invited to stay at the centre from Monday 13th – Friday 17th May with a packed itinerary of climbing, dry slope skiing, river and coastal study, abseiling and other team building activities.

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We wanted to give you this information now so that you are able to plan ahead for the costs involved. The cost for the five day, four night stay will be £420.00 per child. We appreciate that this is not an insignificant sum and hope this prior notice will help. We have set up the ability for you to pay online from today. You may pay the full amount or a little each month, but the non-refundable deposit of £30 needs to be paid by 31st January 2019. The balance will then be required by the end of the Spring Term in March 2018.

We hope that all the children will be able to take up this invaluable opportunity, but appreciate that it is a decision made by each family individually. Should you wish to discuss this then please do contact the school office who will be more than happy to set up a meeting with me.

If you would like to get a flavour for what your child will get up to on their trip, please visit our website and read the blog from this year's visit – click [here](#) for a link to the blog.

Yours sincerely

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