

16 July 2021

Dear Parents

### **Cuffley Camp Reschedule**

Firstly I would like to reiterate my thanks for your support when making the decision to bring the Cuffley Camp trip to a premature close. The conditions really were unexpected and we feel we made the right decision to ensure the safety of all children and staff. The camp themselves were very supportive and did all they could under the circumstances.

We understand though, that while the children were incredibly excited and have lots of positive memories of the trip, they did not get the full experience. We have spent the last few days trying to come up with a solution to ensure the children are able to make further positive memories and experiences and don't miss out.

I have spoken to Cuffley Camp and they have agreed to host us for a day trip on the 20th September. This will be led by the Year 6 team which, while unfortunate for the Year 5 team, means that the children will get a positive experience of being in the wilderness, cooking their own lunch and taking part in a range of outdoor activities. The children will be at the camp from 10 am - 3 pm and the cost of the coaches will be covered by the school. More information regarding this trip will be sent out nearer the time.

As the children were really looking forward to spending time in the tents, we have managed to secure a time in school where the children will be able to use tents on site.

- Wednesday 21 July (Saturn and Mercury)
- Thursday 22 July (Jupiter and Neptune)

We will roast some marshmallows around the fire pit, eat snacks, play some team building games, and then spend some time in the tents. We are aware that one element the children were looking forward to most was being able to set up camp and use their sleeping bags. So, on your child's allocated day, please can they bring in the following items:

- a sleeping bag
- a roll mat if available
- a small toy or game of their choice (not electronic) that can be played in the tent with friends

None of the above are essential but we would like to give the children the opportunity to use some of the equipment that they have purchased.

As a school, we will provide the children with snacks and drinks along with a range of fun activities! Hopefully it will be a lovely end to what has been a fantastic year in Year 5.

Thank you again for your understanding and support

Kind regards

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