

MAYESPARK PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents / Carers,

At Mayespark, our Year 5 children have the opportunity to participate in a residential visit to PGL Liddington Activity Centre in Swindon. It might be hard to believe that your child will soon be in year 5, but plans for this visit are now well underway!

The residential visit will take place from Monday 25th March to Wednesday 27th March 2024. For many children this may be their first experience of staying away from home/family. Teachers from Mayespark accompanying the children will be on hand throughout the visit to encourage, reassure and help, so that your child returns home even more confident and independent with a real sense of achievement.

For over five years, we have arranged our Year 5 residential visits with PGL. This is because not only do they offer excellent value but they also have a reassuring 50 years of experience organising trips for schools. Their extremely high standards ensure that your child will be in safe hands at all times. Please feel free to explore the PGL website, where amongst other things, you will be able to take a virtual tour of the accommodation the children will be staying in and the facilities offered. <https://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/resources/parent-guide/about>

What does it cost?

The cost per person is £240 which will be paid in 4 instalments prior to the trip to be paid via ParentPay. A deposit of £40 is due by **Monday 12th June** to secure a place. The second instalment of £50 will be due by **Monday 4th September**. The third instalment of £100 will be due by **Monday 6th November** and the remaining balance of £50 will be due by **Monday 15th January 2024**. We appreciate that the cost of living is high at the moment, if you would like a more flexible payment plan, please do not hesitate to contact us.

This year, PGL are charging **an additional £16.50** to cover the cost of bedding. We have decided to make this optional for parents. If you wish to add this supplement to the cost of the visit you will not need to provide any bedding. If you wish to save this money, your child will need to bring their own bedding, either in the form of a duvet or sleeping bag and a pillow.

There are a limited number of places available for this visit, therefore these will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. If we do not reach the minimum number required for this educational visit to go ahead, you will receive a full refund of your deposit. Please note that once we have the required number of bookings and have paid PGL, we will be unable to refund any money.

The cost includes:

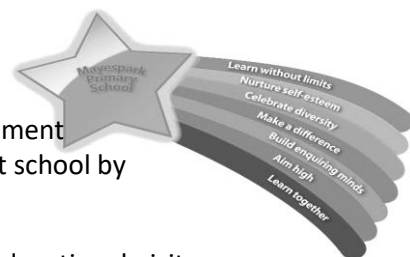
- Return coach travel from school
- A full daily programme of adventure activities
- Fun evening entertainment
- Full comprehensive travel insurance
- All meals and accommodation

There are no extras, however if you wish, you can provide up to £10 of pocket money for your child to spend in the gift shop but this is not essential.



Provisional Timetable Outline

Monday: arrive at 12:30pm, 2 activities, dinner, evening entertainment
 Tuesday: breakfast, 2 activities, lunch, 2 activities, dinner, evening entertainment
 Wednesday: breakfast, 2 activities, lunch, depart at 1:30pm to arrive back at school by approximately 4pm.



We fully appreciate that many parents will have lots of questions regarding this educational visit, particularly because it is a residential. Therefore, we are holding a parents' meeting on **Wednesday 7th June at 3:30pm**. At this meeting we shall provide more details about this opportunity and give time for parents to ask questions.

In previous years, PGL has provided many lasting memories for our children and we trust you will consider sending your child on this residential visit.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ige
 Assistant Headteacher



Residential Visit to PGL 2024

Please return to the school office for Mrs Ige / Mr Lawless

I would like my child to go on the residential visit to Liddington PGL in Swindon.

Child's name: _____ Class: _____

I acknowledge that the cost of the visit will be £240

I would like to add the bedding supplement of £16.50 to this cost.

To secure my child's place, I understand I need to pay a £40 deposit via ParentPay by Monday 12th June. Once the school has paid a deposit to PGL, I understand that the deposit / instalments I have paid will be non-refundable.

Signed: _____

Date: _____