Welsh Farm Parent Information Evening 2023

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at the information evening. Just to reiterate the main points.

Form Group Dates:

Trip / Date	Tutor Group
1. Tues 27th June - Friday 30th June	8 ATS
2. Friday 30th June - Monday 3rd July	8 AJT
3. Monday 3rd July - Thursday 6th July	8 SS
4. Thursday 6th July - Sunday 9th July	8 DSL
5. Sunday 9th July - Wed 12th July	8 OSF
6. Wed 12th July - Sat 15th July	8 GF

Kit List - The older the better! Pupils will need to take their own sleeping bag and pillow

- •Warm jumper or sweatshirt
- •Footwear: Apart from what you wear for the journey, bring at least three changes of clothing, with plenty of socks and underclothes, trainers or walking boots
- •Waterproof, warm hat
- Nightwear
- •Washing kit, towel, sleeping bag, pillow
- •Sun cream, water bottle, torch, plastic bag for dirty clothes, insect repellent.
- •Pens, pencils etc., pocket games, books cameras AT YOUR OWN RISK
- •Packed lunch (for the journey down), cake to share.

You will have to carry everything you bring with you up to the farm from the Gold mines about 3 miles, so pack sensibly and use a rucksack if possible. Clothes may get muddy or ruined, so bring clothes that you don't care about. Do not bring fashionable shoes or shoes that are not comfortable.

FAQs

Money

The pupils do not need money. It is your discretion whether you give them any. There is a very small shop at the goldmines to buy a drink and an ice cream, other than that we will stop at the service station on the way down and back. However, there will not be time (20 mins only) for students to buy food from fast food restaurants and eat it. They are not allowed to eat on the coach. Please ensure you send your son / daughter with a packed lunch. If they are entitled to free school meals please advise their tutor or myself and we will provide a packed lunch for them. They will be able to eat these when we arrive at the Goldmines or at the service station.

Phones

There is no reception at the farm but we do allow pupils to bring their phones to use on the coach journey. They have no need for their phones on this trip and they will therefore be collected from them on arrival at the Goldmines and kept in a safe until the departure day and returned on the coach.

We will not be tweeting as we would on many other trips, this is because the reception is poor, it would mean a member of staff leaving the group in order to update you, meaning that the supervision of the pupils is unnecessarily reduced. We will contact you if there are any problems, we do have a landline.

In the case of an emergency during school hours please contact the school who would get in touch with us immediately otherwise if it is absolutely necessary please contact the Welsh Farm on 01558 650628.

Dietary requirements / Medical Form / Medication

The tutor groups will plan their own menus for the trip and will take dietary requirements from everybody in the form. Please make us aware if there is dietary requirement / intolerance/ allergy on the medical form when it is sent to you. These are the forms we take with us on the trips, we do not take information from the school system as we require the most up to date information.

If your son / daughter takes any medication please label it clearly in a sealed envelope/ bag and hand it in to a member of staff on the morning of departure.

Departure and Arrival back at school

We shall depart school at approximately 8.45, don't worry if your son/ daughter is on the school buses and there is a delay, we will not go without them. Pupils will need a packed lunch and drinks for the journey down. There will be snacks and drinks on arrival but the first meal will not be until the evening.

We aim to be back at JMS for 6pm, if for any reason there is a delay we will either check that your son / daughter has got in touch with you or we will contact you directly.

Best Wishes
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