

20 September 2022

Dear Parents

Year 6 Residential Hautbois Activity Centre in Norwich from Monday 22 - Friday 26 May 2023

Further to our meeting last term, regarding the Year 6 Residential Trip to **Hautbois Activity Centre in Norwich from Monday 22 - Friday 26 May 2023**, we must now ask parents for a firm commitment should you wish your child to participate.

We visited the above centre for the first-time last year with Year 6 and as we had such an enjoyable time we have once again secured our booking for the Year 6 Residential Trip to the Hautbois Activity Centre in Norwich from Monday 22 - Friday 26 May 2023.

The centre

The centre opened in 1988 and is owned by Girlguiding Anglia. The Hautbois estate boasts 28 acres of woodland in the Norfolk countryside on the edge of the Broads national park. Facilities include a fully equipped dry shelter, ample toilets and showers, altar fires for evening camp fire and comfortable sleeping cabins, equipped with bunk beds.

Getting there

We shall be travelling by coach to and from the Hautbois estate. We shall be leaving at 9:00 am on the Monday morning with an estimated time of arrival back at school on Friday 26 May at approximately 7.00pm, although please be aware that traffic congestion on the M25 may delay our return. The pupils will be accompanied by Miss Johnson, Mr Burrett and Mrs Steed for the entire trip, with Mr Groves and Mr Andrews splitting their time in half.

Activities

There are 25 different onsite activities staffed by qualified instructors who will deliver a fun and adventurous experience to our young people. Activities include kayaking, paddle boarding, abseiling, a climbing wall, raft building and many more.

The children will take a packed lunch on the first day (supplied by the school) and then it will be full board catering finishing with a lunch on Friday and a packed tea for the journey home.

Residential courses organised by the school are optional, but an invaluable part of the National Curriculum. Pupils benefit hugely from the experience, both educationally and socially, and I feel certain that the programme which is chosen for the children of St Faith's will prove to be both enjoyable and very worthwhile.

For those parents who were unable to make the presentation evening or are new to the school, you can visit the centre's website <https://www.hautbois.org.uk> and go to the school's section for information or feel free to speak to Mrs Steed, who has organised this residential, and will be more than happy to answer any questions or concerns you may have.

The cost of this trip will be approximately £425.00 depending on the number of children attending, and once accurate numbers are confirmed we will advise of any changes to this amount. The cost will be added to your Spring term invoice issued at the end of the Autumn term. This cost also includes your child's leavers hoodie.

To commit to this very exciting trip please [CLICK HERE](#) and submit the form by Monday 26 September. We will write to you with further details after the half term break.

Yours sincerely

Lawrence B R Groves
Headmaster

Leanne Steed
Trip Leader