ROBINWOOD PARENTS MEETING 2025





Monday 13th - Wednesday 15th October 2025

Staff attending: Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Hill & Mrs. Wilson

Children attending: 32 children in total.

24 children from Year 6, 8 children from Year 5

MONDAY 13TH OCTOBER

Children to arrive at school between 8:40-8:50am as usual and enter the school hall through the main entrance with their bags/cases.

Children will be given a coloured label to put on their luggage.

Any medication must be in a clear or paper bag with child's name clearly stated with any relevant information about dosage and or times medication must be given. Medication bags to be handed to Mrs. Hill (First Aider)

Coach is booked and due to leave school for approximately 9:15am

Parents can wait to wave off the children if they wish.

NOTE: children can take their water bottle on the bus but shouldn't bring food/snacks/sweets.

What does my child need to bring?

A suggested clothing list has been sent home previously and available to take today.

There is no need to go out and buy anything special for a trip to Robinwood, all specialist equipment is provided. The clothing list given includes clothing being worn on the journey (so if you are wearing a pair of trousers for the journey, you only need to pack 2 more pairs).

- Water Bottle
- 3 Comfortable long-sleeved tops (sweatshirts/jumpers/hoodies/fleeces)
- 3 T-shirts (no vests or crop tops)
- 3 Pairs of trousers (not restrictive; sportswear is good/ideally not jeans)
- 2 Pairs of shorts (knee length) or leggings you don't mind getting wet
- 5 Sets of underwear
- 6 Pairs of socks
- 2 Pairs of trainers
- 2 Towels
- 1 Waterproof coat
- 1 Sun hat (in warm weather)
- A spare Head Scarf (if you wear one)
- 1 Set of nightwear
- 1 Bag of toiletries (including suntan lotion and insect repellent in warm weather)
- 1 Bin liner (for wet clothes on day 3)

Children's Belongings

- > As children are sharing dormitories, clothing and items do get mixed up!
- Please label your child's belongings when possible, especially coats, tracksuits etc.
- > If anything is left in the dormitories on the last morning, this is bagged up and given to us at lunch time. We try our best to get the items back to their rightful owners (so a name inside does help!)
- For any unclaimed items at Robinwood, I will bring back and create a Robinwood lost property table on the Thursday (the day after we return)

What does my child NOT need to bring?

- > Don't bring expensive / designer clothing they will get wet, dirty or both!
- > No make up or jewellery allowed
- > No mobile phones, I'pads, tablets etc.
- > Children can wear a watch but not recommended.

SWEETS & SNACKS

Children are fed....a lot!

Children are given a good, substantial breakfast, lunch and evening meal with juice and snacks (fruit and/or biscuit) after each activity then hot chocolate before going to their dormitories for bed-time.

They won't need to bring any sweets or snacks.

But I understand from previous trips, that children like to bring sweets

/ snacks for their dormitories.

If children are to bring any sweets, items containing NUTS are NOT ALLOWED!

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHEN WE GET THERE:

When we first arrive at Robinwood, the large coach can't get up the narrow country lanes, so children go straight into their 1^{st} activity.....the walk up to Barhaugh Hall! This is a beautiful 20-minute (ish) walk up to the activity centre. It is uphill so please ensure children are wearing comfortable shoes and have their coat/jacket available.

Once at the activity centre, children will attend a safety talk with the many staff from Robinwood, shown to their dormitories and then will have their lunch.

After lunch, children will be split into their groups and go off for their afternoon activities.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHEN WE GET THERE:

Once we have arrived, school staff are given a timetable for their group which will be discussed with children so they know what activities they will be doing on which days.

It is a jam-packed 3 days of activities.....they will be exhausted when they get home on Wednesday!

ARRANGEMENTS FOR DORMITORIES:

Children have been split into their dormitory groups.

As we have a mix of Year 5 and Year 6's, I have tried to find the 'best fit' to place the children so that they are with a friend but also maintain good behaviour and Year 6 can help support their younger peers.

During the night, the Robinwood staff known as the 'Night Ninjas' are on call all night to supervise the children.

If children need assistance, they have a buzzer system in their dormitory to call for a Night Ninja. If the Night Ninja's have visited a child or dormitory during the night, it is all recorded and given to Mrs Davis the next morning.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR DORMITORIES:

St Bede's staff are also on call during the night to deal with situations if they arise.

Mrs. Davis is on call for the 1st night, Mrs. Hill is on call for the 2nd night.

ARRANGEMENTS FOR WHEN WE COME HOME:

Children have activities in the morning then will have lunch.

After lunch, children are due to leave Robinwood activity centre at 1:00pm for the 20-minute walk back down the hill to meet the coach.

We should arrive back at school for approximately 3:00pm (traffic depending!) but I will keep school updated to inform parents of our journey back.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND UPDATES:

Mrs. Davis will inform school when we have arrived safely at Robinwood. School will inform parents.

School staff will take photos of their groups doing their various activities over the 3 days.

We will try our very best to upload a few photos and updates to school social media pages while we are away.

Photos will be uploaded to the school website once we have returned.

Mrs. Davis will also inform school of when we have set off on our return journey and any updates of our arrival time.



ANY QUESTIONS? THANK YOU



With Christ at our side to guide us, we shine in all that we do.