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Dear Parents of Children in Years 4 and 5,

As some of you will be aware, the children have recently returned from a very successful residential trip to Ironbridge but we are already planning ahead for next year. Our visits are on a two-year cycle and so the 2018 residential will be activity based and will be for five days to Osmington Bay in Dorset, situated near Weymouth. The trip will include a range of exciting adventure activities and challenges involving individual and collaborative work. Based on previous experience, we have booked 30 places. The following link will give you an idea of the content of the trip <http://www.pgl.co.uk/en-gb/school-trips/resources/parent-guide/about> These places have been reserved for the week beginning **Monday 4th June 2018**. Priority will be given to children in Year 6 but any spare places will be offered to children in Year 5.

The cost of the visit is expected to be £413.00 inclusive of all activities, transport and food and drink. If you would like your child to participate in the visit, please complete the reply slip below and return it **to your child's class teacher**, to reserve a place. After Monday 17th July, places will be allocated to Year 5 children on a first come, first served basis. Before the summer holidays you will be notified to say that your child has been given a place. At this time we will ask for a non-returnable deposit of £40 to secure this place. Payments can be made by cheque, cash or online (cheques should be made payable to Winklebury Junior School). Small, regular payments can be made at any time to the Federation Admin Office or online and the balance must be paid in full by Monday 16th April 2018. A payment card will be issued which should accompany any payment made.

Please note that for those children entitled to free school meals based on income factors the school will pay, out of our Pupil Premium funding, 50% of the deposit for the residential for a child in receipt of free school meals at any point over the past six years. We will also pay 50% of the final payment as detailed when we send out the payment schedule (approximately £30 will be funded by school for this payment). Accordingly, when you come to pay the deposit, please make sure you tell us if your child is entitled to free school meals (or has been at any point over the past six years), we will check our records and charge you 50% of the deposit only.

Please be aware that it is very important, once you have paid your deposit, that your child does not withdraw from the trip unless there are extenuating circumstances which must be discussed in the first instance with myself. The school incurs many costs for a residential trip ahead of the time we ask for your payments and unless the circumstances are deemed exceptional by the school, you will forfeit the deposit paid and any other monies paid which we cannot reclaim. The costs incurred by the school are based on the number of children booked for. This number is drawn from the number of children who pay a deposit and therefore it is very difficult if a child withdraws from a commitment to the trip. Thank you for your understanding.

We will be holding information presentations on **Wednesday 11th October at 2.30pm and 6.00pm**. Your child is more than welcome to come to the evening presentation although they will be given the same information during the day by their class teacher.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you would like any further information or to discuss arrangements for the visit.

Yours sincerely

Mr M.Gannaway
Assistant Head Teacher

Winklebury Junior School

Reply Slip – Osmington Bay Residential Trip 2018

I would like my child in Class (child's current class)

to attend the residential trip to Osmington Bay for the week beginning Monday 4th June 2018.

Signed: Parent / Guardian