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Gordon Brown

Year 6 Residential

Wednesday 23rd October – Friday 25th October 2024

Pupil accommodation –

- Bunk beds in dormitories one for the boys and one for the girls
- Each bunk has a pocket for storing books and / or cuddlies
- Each pupil has a space for their possessions
- Separate toilet facilities for boys and girls
- Separate shower facilities for boys and girls
- Dining room for all meals
- Clean indoor shoes to be worn

Wednesday to Friday Activities

- The day time activities could include:
- Feeding the animals (every morning)
- Team building on a low ropes course
- High ropes course
- Archery
- Building fires and cooking
- Laser tag
- Team building and problem solving
- **All will be discussed and agreed with the children.**



Wednesday to Friday Activities

- The evening time activities include:
- Free time to play with friends (still enough daylight)
- Night walk with torches, we will take a torch for everyone
- Games night
- Talent contest
- Bonfire with stories and singing
- Hot chocolate and biscuit each night before bed at 9:15 (latest)
- **All will be agreed with children.**

Wednesday to Friday Behaviour


• Being ready


- Pupil behaviour promise
- All children have read and signed it
- Attention to the signature line:

*“I have read these rules and agree to follow them.
I understand that if I do not follow them I may be
sent home.”*

Being respectful

Being safe

**Brent**



The Gordon Brown Centre
Children's Agreement

It is important that all the children understand what is expected of them at the Gordon Brown Outdoor Education Centre so that they are safe and everyone has an enjoyable time.

Please go over this agreement with your child so that they are clear on the rules.

1. Children must always stay within the boundaries of the Centre unless they are on a trip outside with their teachers.
2. Girls and boys are not allowed into each other's dormitories – they can play together in the classroom or the grounds under adult supervision.
3. Once lights are put out in the dormitory you should settle down to sleep quickly and not talk and keep other children awake. (Children or adults who do not get enough sleep will become short-tempered and irritable and affect everyone's enjoyment).
4. If you are unhappy for any reason, or unwell, you may knock on the teacher's door at anytime but don't do it for silly little things.
5. If you accidentally wet the bed let the teacher know quietly and s/ he will see to it while you are at breakfast.
6. Everyone must share in the task of keeping dormitories clean and tidy. You will also share in setting the tables for meals and clearing tables.
7. When staff are speaking to you, you must listen carefully. If a teacher puts up their hand it means that you should stop talking and look at them.
8. When walking outside the grounds you must follow instructions. You will walk in single file and children/adults wearing high visibility vests will be at the back and front. **YOU MUST ALWAYS WALK BEHIND THE LEADING ADULT.**
9. You must treat all animals kindly and follow the rules for the limit on the number of children in the enclosures at any one time.
10. Treat children from the other school in a kind and friendly way.

I have read these rules and agree to follow them. I understand that if I do not follow them I may be sent home.

Signed _____

Sleeping bag, pillow and bed sheet are available to hire at an extra cost.

Outdoor shoes – trainers

Pyjamas!

No electronic devices

No sweets or snacks

Important message to Parents

Children only have a 60cm deep by 40cm height and wide lockers to store their belongings, so please ensure they stay within the suggested list below. Any additional belongings will not be able to be stored in the room.

KIT LIST – WHAT TO BRING

Please ensure that all items are named.

CLOTHING

Clothes are likely to suffer wear and tear and also get dirty and / or wet therefore you should bring several changes of old clothes for doing activities

Your arms will need to be covered to do some activities

☐ TOPS & JACKETS

- ☐ x7 Long sleeved shirt / T-shirts
- ☐ x1 Waterproof jacket
- ☐ x2 Fleece / jumpers

☐ TROUSERS & LEGGINGS

but not jeans as they get heavy and cold when wet

☐ UNDERWEAR & SOCKS

Your socks will need to cover your ankles to do some activities

☐ CLOTHES FOR THE EVENING

- ☐ x1 set

☐ Suitable NIGHTWEAR

- ☐ x1

FOOTWEAR

- ☐ x1 pair of **TRAINERS**

- ☐ x1 pair of **WELLIES** and

- ☐ x1 for indoor

for activities for watersports

OTHER ITEMS

- ☐ x2 **TOWELS** (x1 for showering)

- ☐ Plastic **DRINKS BOTTLE**

- ☐ Labelled **BIN BAG** for wet and dirty clothing

- ☐ **SLEEPING BAG** or **DUVET** and

- ☐ x1 **PILLOW & BED SHEET** (unless otherwise advised)

- ☐ **WASHBAG** including soap, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste

TRAVELLING IN THE ...

... SUMMER?

- ☐ Shorts
- ☐ Baseball hat / sun hat
- ☐ Sunscreen

... WINTER?

- ☐ Warm anorak or similar
- ☐ Hat and gloves

LOST PROPERTY

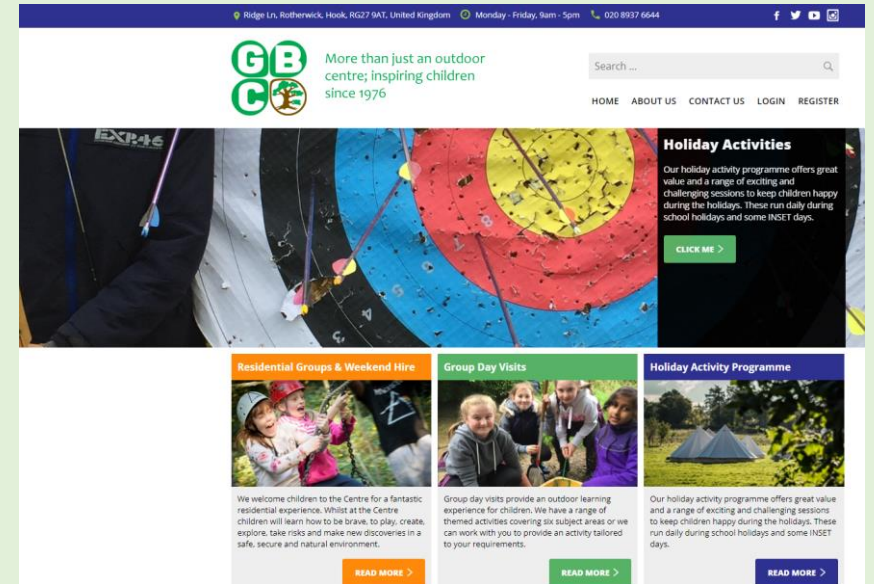
We recommend you write a list of what you pack to check before you come home. If you do leave anything behind, please contact your party leader who will contact GBC. Postage will be charged for returning lost items, which will be held for one month.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING

Electronic devices
Computer games
Jewellery / valuables

Costs for GB

- All activities
- Includes lunch and dinner Wednesday
- Includes breakfast, lunch and dinner Thursday
- Includes breakfast and lunch Friday
- Costs are based upon 32 children going (as this year). If more children go the costs come down and if less go then costs will go up. A maximum of 48 children can go.
- Maximum expected costs including travel are around £220.



Additional Costs across the year

- Other trips planned in October are a river trip at Gilbert White to support geography which cost £20.25 per child.
- We would expect charges to remain similar, dependent upon transport costs.
- Y6 summer term trips in 2025 to Paulton's Park and the New Forest.

Any Questions?

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Our holiday activity programme offers great value and a range of exciting and challenging sessions to keep children happy during the holidays. These run daily during school holidays and some INSET days.

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Residential Groups & Weekend Hire



We welcome children to the Centre for a fantastic residential experience. Whilst at the Centre children will learn how to be brave, to play, create, explore, take risks and make new discoveries in a safe, secure and natural environment.

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Group Day Visits



Group day visits provide an outdoor learning experience for children. We have a range of themed activities covering six subject areas or we can work with you to provide an activity tailored to your requirements.

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