



Dore Primary School

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Austerfield Residential

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Dear parents and carers,

We are delighted to be able to offer the Y3 year group a short one night residential at Austerfield Field Study Centre near Doncaster. This is a fantastic opportunity to support our creative curriculum whilst offering the children and staff a good social and team building experience. It is also a great introduction to the longer residentials in Y4, Y5 and Y6. Austerfield is a village school converted to a secure site residential centre, ideally placed to use the surrounding natural habitats for a range of field studies. It also provides a wonderful tropical animal house and a small star-gazing observatory. The centre is contained, cosy and ideal for a first trip away from home.

The Austerfield Field Study Centre has been booked for the following dates with approximately 25 pupils attending at a time (children will be allocated an exact date nearer the time):

- Monday 3rd July - Tuesday 4th July
- Tuesday 4th July - Wednesday 5th July
- Wednesday 5th July - Thursday 6th July

The cost of the residential, which includes activities, accommodation, food and coach fare is **£50 plus a 50p booking fee** which will be payable using ParentPay.

If your child wishes to attend this residential trip please pay a deposit of £25.50 on Parent Pay by Friday 10th February. The 2nd payment of £25 is due by Friday 10th March. Alternatively you may pay the full amount of £50.50 now.

The full cost of residential trips will be requested by the school for such activities. Families entitled to Pupil Premium can request a reduction in the price (currently this means Pupil Premium children are likely to pay 20% of the full cost). Dore Primary will follow the relevant legislation as contained in the Education Reform Act 1988: Section 106 - 111, 117, and 118. The guidance is contained in the DCSF circular 2/89: Charges for School Activities). If you are currently in receipt of any benefits and you wish to discuss the cost of the trip in confidence then please contact Mr Fletcher at school.





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On the day of the residential children will leave school at 8:45am, they will return at 3:30pm the next day. Activities booked include; rocks and soils study, animal classification in the animal house, team-building, orienteering and star-gazing. All day-time activities and the star-gazing are led by experienced centre staff. The children will need to take a packed lunch for Day 1 (in a disposable throw-away bag) and they will make their own packed lunch for Day 2. Breakfast, lunch and the evening meal will be eaten on site. The children will sleep in two large dormitories and will be supervised at night by Dore staff who will be sleeping in rooms adjacent to the dormitories.

Receipt of your deposit will indicate consent for your child to go on the residential, without which, it will be assumed that your child is unable to go and a place will not be reserved for them. A medical form and meal choice form will be sent out later in the year.

Best Wishes

The Year 3 / 4 Team

