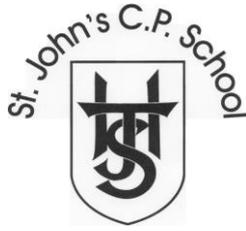


# ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL AND NURSERY

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Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October

Dear Parents,

I am excited to tell you that this year's residential will be at Hautbois Activity Centre. This venue offers all sorts of adventurous activities and team-building experiences. While our school's timetable of activities is yet to be confirmed, if you would like to get a better idea of the kinds of activities the children will be able to take part in as well as more information about accommodation and catering, then please visit the Year 6 page on the schools website.

Last year our Year 6's visited Mersea Island. While I know that the current Year 6's were excited about visiting Mersea themselves, due to the class being much smaller, the trip would not have been cost effective. However, having visited Hautbois with a previous school, I can honestly say that the Year 6's will have a fantastic time. The venue is excellent, well equipped and exciting and provided the children with an unforgettable experience.

We have booked ourselves to go on the week beginning **11<sup>th</sup> June 2018**, returning on **June 15<sup>th</sup> 2018**. To guarantee our booking the centre requires a non-refundable deposit. Because of this we would ask that you contribute a **£25 non-refundable deposit** towards the trip, payable by **October 20<sup>th</sup> 2017**. The total cost for your child to attend the residential trip will be **£240**.

We know that this is a big commitment for parents to make and will be working hard throughout the year to run fundraisers to reduce the cost of the trip as much as possible. Last year, the Year 6's raised £1000 towards the cost of the trip and we hope to beat that target this year! In addition, I have outlined a payment plan below to allow parents to pay the money in stages rather than in a one off payment. Unfortunately if a large percentage of children are unable to come on the trip, we will have to cancel it.

- Payment 1 - £25 deposit due in by **October 20<sup>th</sup> 2017**
- Payment 2 - £45 due in by **November 17<sup>th</sup> 2017**
- Payment 3 - £45 due in by **January 19<sup>th</sup> 2018**
- Payment 4 - £45 due in by **March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018**
- Payment 5 - £40 due in by **April 27<sup>th</sup> 2018**
- Payment 6 - £40 (*minus any money raised*) due in by **May 28<sup>th</sup> 2018**

In addition, please find attached a suggested 'kit list' for the trip. We will discuss this in more detail closer to the date. In the meantime I hope you are as excited as we are about the value this trip will have in developing your child's resilience, independence, perseverance and team-work skills!

Thank you for your continuing support,

Mr Copping  
Deputy Head

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Hautbois Activity Centre 11<sup>th</sup> June – 15<sup>th</sup> June 2018

I agree/do not agree to my child ..... attending Hautbois Activity Centre

I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £25 which will go to towards the payment of the trip

Signed.....





## Reedcutters' Village:

### Provided by Hautbois:

- Food and snacks\*
- Bunk beds
- Blankets

\*From evening meal on day of arrival to lunch on day of departure for groups having Hautbois catering.

### You will need to bring:

- Clothing for the weather\*\*
- Warm clothing
- Sensible footwear
- Torch
- Towel/toiletries
- Medicine
- Sleeping bag/extra blankets (it can be cold!), a pillow
- Tuck money

## Activities:

### Provided by Hautbois:

- Safety equipment for activities

### You will need to bring:

- Sensible footwear
- Clothing appropriate for the weather and activities\*\*
- Medicine
- Tuck money
- Dry clothes - just in case & for after water activities