



22nd November 2022

To Parents of Year 6 children

Dear Parent/Carer

As explained in our previous letter we will be returning to Viney Hill for our Year 6 residential trip. The dates for the trip are Monday 27th March – Wednesday 29th March 2023.

Viney Hill is a superb centre. It is set in the heart of the Forest of Dean; nestled between the River Severn and River Wye. For the duration of our visit we will have exclusive use of the entire site. This provides us with excellent flexibility in terms of the activities we can offer. The centre is well equipped with indoor and outdoor space and is ideally situated for 'outward bound' style activities which will be challenging and fun for the children as well as being great for team building, leadership skills and quiet reflection.

Pupils will participate in a range of activities led by qualified instructors. We have yet to finalise all the activities but they will include climbing on local cliffs, cycling and exploring the woods adjoining the centre. Minchinhampton Academy staff will also lead evening activities and creative arts based activities.

Facilities at the centre are of a very high standard. Pupils will either stay in dormitories of up to 10 in the main house (The Old Vicarage), or in chalet style buildings in the grounds. At all times a member of Minchinhampton staff will be close by. All food will be provided by the centre, apart from a packed lunch needed on the Monday.

Viney Hill have requested the first deposit for this trip, so we are asking you to register your interest, by completing the reply slip and sending in a non-refundable deposit of £50 to secure your child's place. This will of course be deducted from the total cost, which is now finalised to include the coach costs, and will be £200. We appreciate that trips are an additional expense and we welcome anyone who may have concerns with financing this trip to call in and have a chat with Mr. Moss. This will of course be confidential.

Please send your deposit by **Wednesday 30th November**. We will be requesting further, staggered payments during the year. (The next payment of £50 will be due in January). Can you please complete the attached reply slip, you can either pay deposit by cash/cheque or via the Gateway app.

Yours sincerely

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Reply Slip

Viney Hill Monday 27th March – Wednesday 29th March

Child's Name _____

Class _____

I would like my child to go on the Viney Hill trip, and have made a payment of £50 as the first, non-refundable deposit. I agree to make the additional payments when requested.

Signed _____

Date _____

Paid via: Delete as applicable.

Cash/cheque

Gateway app

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