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2nd November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

Residential Trip to Condover Hall, Shropshire – 15th-18th September 2019

We are very excited to announce that we have provisionally booked a four day (3 nights) residential visit to Condover Hall in Shrewsbury for Year 5 and 6 in September 2019. We feel very fortunate to have secured a booking at a reasonable cost as it is an extremely popular venue with school groups. We have undertaken a great deal of research to find a similar complex at a similar price. However, no offers are as good as the one given by Condover Hall. The children had a wonderful time last time and we believe it is worthy of another trip.

It is well known that residential courses, organised by schools, are becoming increasingly invaluable as part of the National Curriculum. The Government has stated the beneficial effects of learning outside the classroom and the impact this has on a child's progress that such courses provide. Learning outside the classroom offers new and exciting challenges, children will learn to work together as a team, develop independence, confidence and an ability to recognise strengths and weaknesses in a constructive way. The value of giving children the opportunity to try out new activities cannot be under estimated.

At Condover Hall, fully trained and qualified instructors, with the support of school staff, provide instruction in a full programme of activities in a safe, controlled and secure environment. The activities available include: indoor, outdoor, water and inspirational activities. The specific activities will be confirmed closer to the date. The total cost of the visit to Condover Hall will be £220 and this includes full board and accommodation, coach transport, all instruction and activities, equipment & safety equipment, evening activities programme, achievement certificates and comprehensive insurance. We have also organised a deal to include watersports for this visit. It's an excellent opportunity. If you would like more information please visit their website: www.jca-adventure.co.uk

In order for this trip to go ahead we need the slip attached, indicating your interest and details of the deposit, to be returned to the school office by Thursday 15th November. A further letter will then be sent home detailing how to pay by instalments for the balance.

However, if there is not enough interest in this trip it may be necessary to cancel it.

Yours sincerely,

Mr D Barker
Assistant Headteacher



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**REPLY SLIP FOR THE ATTENTION OF MR. D. BARKER – CONDOVER HALL RESIDENTIAL – 15th – 18th
SEPTEMBER 2019**

Child's Name: Class:

- I/we are interested for my child to visit Condover Hall
- I/we enclose £40 First Deposit payment (cash, cheque)

Signed: Date:
(Parent/Carer)



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