



# BEARWOOD Primary and Nursery School

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Dear Parents / Guardians of Maple 1 Pupils,

## Maple 2 Residential Visit to Osmington Bay: Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2023

With the appropriate preparation, information and kit, Osmington Bay will be a super experience for all concerned. This letter contains vital information which we need so that we can secure the best care for your children.

### TIMETABLE:

#### WEDNESDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER:

8:50 – 10:30	Children may arrive at school at the usual time or slightly later if preferred. All children must be on site by 10.30am at the very latest.
11:00	Depart from Bearwood by coach
12:00	Arrival at Osmington + packed lunch
14:00	Afternoon activities
	Dinner – First meal at Osmington
	Evening activity

#### THURSDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER:

	Breakfast
	Morning activities
	Lunch
	Afternoon activities
	Dinner
	Evening activity

#### FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER:

	Breakfast
	Morning activities
	Lunch
13:30	Depart Osmington
14:30	Approximate time of arrival at Bearwood



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### LOCATION:

We will be based at the PGL Adventure UK centre in Osmington.  
Shortlake Lane,  
Osmington Bay,  
Osmington Nr Weymouth,  
Weymouth DT3 6EG  
Telephone number: 0333 321 2100

### IN CASE OF EMERGENCY:

If you experience an emergency and need to contact your child please contact the Head Teacher, Mrs Smith, at Bearwood School on 07395-906020. This number is for **emergency use only**.

If an emergency occurs concerning your child we will contact you using the numbers you provide us on the accompanying form. **Please bear this in mind when you choose the contact numbers to use.**

### ACCOMPANYING ADULTS:

The children will be accompanied by 3 school adults:  
Mr Dominic Longland (Group Leader)  
Mrs Olivia Lyster (Deputy Group Leader & First Aider)  
Mr Alex Vivian (First Aider)

### AIMS OF VISIT:

Experience of previous trips has shown us that this is an invaluable opportunity for children to grow and develop as a whole learner and, in many cases, to achieve beyond their own expectations.

This is an educational trip designed to address statutory elements of the PE National Curriculum. In particular, we will be giving children the opportunity to engage in Outdoor and Adventurous activities using equipment and expertise which we do not have access to on site in school.

In addition to the PE element, the residential element of the trip together with some of the problem-solving challenges will enable the children to improve their teamwork and communication skills.

### ACTIVITIES:

We will have a provisional list of activities nearer the time. All activities are led by trained PGL staff. The children will be accompanied by Bearwood School staff at all times. The children will be split into groups and will complete all activities on a rota basis. Refer to the PGL website to see the activities which may be available to us.

### POCKET MONEY:

There is a shop on site at Osmington selling a wide range of souvenirs at very reasonable prices: pencils, pencil cases, key-rings, balls, caps, T shirts, water bottles. The shop also sells sweets. Providing pocket money for your child is optional and your child will be responsible for keeping their money safely in their bag. We ask that each child brings **no more than £5**. Children will be supervised in the shop. There are also vending machines on site which the children will not be allowed to use. Water is available at all times but children must take **their own refillable bottle**.



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### MOBILE PHONES:

Children are **not allowed to bring electronic equipment of any description, including mobile phones, kindles and cameras.** We ask that all families respect this.

### DINING:

**You will need to provide a PACKED LUNCH for your child on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.** If your child has school lunches, an away day meal will be provided as is usual for school trips. You may wish to provide some additional snacks to keep them going. The first meal provided by Osmington will be the evening meal on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September.

At every meal, children will have a choice of menu. A board at the entrance to the dining room shows which meals are suitable for children with different dietary requirements. We ask that you complete the attached form to alert school staff of these dietary requirements so that we are able to support children in their meal selection if needed.

### MEDICATION:

If any child needs medication, including travel medication, please put the medication in a plastic bag. Please ensure that the medication and the bag is **clearly labelled with your child's name**. In the bag, please include details of precise doses. If you have a child who uses medication intermittently e.g. asthma inhalers, please ensure that the medication is up-to-date.

### BEHAVIOUR:

Although we are all looking forward to this experience and expect to have a lot of fun we will make it very clear to the children that we are not on holiday: we are engaged in education. As such, we expect the same standards of behaviour at Osmington that we do at school. We expect all children to follow the instructions of adults at all times without question. We also expect all members of the party to treat every other person with respect. As adults, we will always provide children with the utmost care and support to help them achieve these standards. In the extremely unlikely event of a child refusing to comply with these expectations we may contact you and make arrangements for their participation in the residential to be terminated.

### **KIT LIST - PLEASE NAME EVERYTHING!**

- 1 large bag e.g. rucksack/ holdall
- 1 day bag such as a small rucksack. Children will use this bag to carry spare kit around the site to each activity

**NB CARRYING BAGS:** Children will need to transport all of their own luggage between the coach and the accommodation. Please bear this in mind when organising their kit. Wheeled bags can be useful but are not essential. If you provide dustbin liners to transport bedding, please pack spare bags for the return trip.

### **NIGHT TIME**

- Sleeping bag
- Pillow + pillow case
- Pyjamas/ Nightwear



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- Wash kit (**no aerosols** – they can set off the smoke alarms!)
- 1 small cuddly toy
- Towel

**DAY TIME – check the weather forecast closer to the time and please ensure plenty of appropriate clothes for your child**

Comfortable old clothes – which can get wet, dirty or even damaged– enough for three days. Build the clothes up in layers so that your child can adjust their clothing to match the changing temperatures that we may experience.

The children will spend most of their time outside. Please also bear in mind, that Osmington's site gives fantastic views over the sea but gives little protection from the wind – it can be rather cold!

- T-shirts – short or long sleeved (all shoulders must be covered for safety)
- Trousers (no jeans – they do not dry quickly if they get wet)  
And/ or Tracksuit trousers or leggings  
And/ or shorts (knee length – not short as clothing must cover the thighs for rope based activities).
- Sweatshirts/ jumpers/ fleeces
- Underwear and socks
- Old Trainers + spare pair in case the first pair get wet.
- Waterproof jacket (the activities go ahead in the rain!)
- Waterproof trousers (if you have them)

**ADDITIONAL ITEMS**

- In room entertainment: Book to read/ notebook to write in/ pack of cards.
- £5 spending money (optional)
- Waterproof sunblock
- Refillable water bottle
- Sun hat
- Labelled bin bag for wet/dirty clothing

**FORMS TO COMPLETE:**

Please complete the attached two forms and **return to the teacher or the school office BY FRIDAY 14TH JULY:**

1. Behaviour Contract
2. Form 3 – Health Form – including any food allergies

If you should have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely,

*D. Longland*

Mr D Longland



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