

Dear Parents,

Red Ridge Residential Visit Monday 29th September - Friday 3rd October 2014

**Red Ridge Centre
Cefn Coch
Welshpool
Powys
SY21 DAZ**

Tel: 01938 810821 (Emergency use only)

The residential visit to Red Ridge is fast approaching and there are a number of important details which will need to be addressed. We would appreciate it if you could spend some time reading through the following information, preferably alongside your child in order that he/she can look forward to the trip and be familiar with the requirements. We will, of course, be holding meetings in school with the children, but feel it is helpful for you to be aware of our arrangements to avoid any confusion or unnecessary anxiety.

Travel arrangements: The children should arrive at the normal time and go straight to the hall. The children will be travelling by coach, leaving at 9:15am. In their day bag the children will **need a packed lunch and a drink** which will be eaten when we arrive at Red Ridge and a small snack and drink for the stop we make en route. The party will return to school by approximately 4:00pm on the Friday afternoon.

Please complete the enclosed form with relevant contact details and return together with other consent forms.

Clothing: It is important that the children bring all the equipment that is on the kit list attached. It is always better to have too many warm dry clothes than not enough. The weather can change very quickly in the hills and keeping the children warm is of paramount importance. Also, practical clothing is far better than fashion clothing - old, warm clothes that can get dirty are required.

Money: We recommend a maximum of £12.00 pocket money - the actual amount, as long as it does not exceed £12.00, must be your decision. The money should be brought in a named purse/wallet on the Monday we travel and will be collected at Red Ridge. The money should be

in mixed coinage if possible. There is a tuck shop for the children to buy sweets and small souvenirs are available from the shop.

Valuables: Children **MUST NOT** bring mobile phones, or other valuable items e.g. I-pods, I-pads, hand held gaming devices or jewellery to Red Ridge. Sweets must also **not** be taken as they are not allowed to eat in the rooms. Evening 'tuck' is purchased there and eaten downstairs in the dining hall or the games room. Children breaking these rules will have the items confiscated by staff and parents will be informed. If your child takes a camera please make sure that it is named and they know how to use it. They should also realise that it will be their responsibility to look after it. Disposable cameras are very useful, but must also be **named**.

Medical forms and Medicines: PLEASE SEE MEDICAL CONSENT FORM ATTACHED. If your child requires any medication during the trip, please complete the medicines form and hand them in to the desk at the back of the hall on the morning of departure. The medicines must be clearly labelled with the child's name and instructions and times to be taken. Travel sickness can be a problem so if your child is susceptible please send sufficient tablets for the return journey and also for two days when the children travel by coach to the activities.

Inhalers will be kept by the children. They **MUST** have 2 of them - one in their day pack and one in their suitcase. They must have their names on them and be in date.

I would be grateful if you would **return the attached forms to school by Monday 8th September 2014.**

Yours Sincerely,

Mrs Snowden
(P.E. Coordinator)