St Mary's CE Primary School

'Trust in the Lord and Flourish' (Proverbs 11:28)

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Wednesday 22nd May 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

Following the previous success of the annual Year 4 residential trip to Standon Bowers, we have been able to secure the same trip this year. This provides your child with the opportunity to experience an overnight stay at a residential centre in rural Staffordshire, before the week-long residential in Y6. We have booked the trip for **Wednesday 16th October to Friday 18th October 2024.**

Standon Bowers is surrounded by beautiful English countryside and has been a home-away-from-home for young people since 1885. Entrust Outdoor education's multi-activity programmes provide a number of benefits. By challenging pupils, the activities will help them build confidence, develop communication and learn skills for life while also inspiring them to respect nature and conserve the natural world. Pupils enjoy an action-packed itinerary filled with adventure activities such as archery, bushcraft, bridge building, BMXing, climbing, caving, low ropes and scrambling. More information about the centre can be found at https://www.entrust-ed.co.uk/services/our-centres We hope that as many Year 4 children as possible will be able to attend the trip.

We have provisionally booked places for all our Year 3 children, but will need to confirm how many of them will actually be attending. If you have any questions regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to come into school and ask.

Should your child NOT wish to attend Standon Bowers for any reason, please inform the school office by Tuesday 4 June 2024. If we do not receive notification, we will assume that your child is going.

In order to secure your child a place on this residential visit, you will be asked to pay a **non-refundable** deposit of £50 via sQuid. **Payable by Tuesday 11 June 2024**

Due to Standon Bower's cancellation policy, and following payment of your deposit, the remaining balance of £143.50 will be due in full by **Thursday 4th July 2024**. There will be 2 offers on sQuid, 1 for the deposit and 1 for the remaining balance.

Please be aware that if you cancel, you may still be liable to pay in full. Standon Bowers advise parents to take out their own Travel Insurance to cover any cancellation fees they may incur. Please note Shropshire Council, nor Standon Bowers offer any remission of fees for parents in receipt of benefits.

More information about the residential will be sent out in due course nearer the dates of the residential.

Breakdown of costs (Based on 24 children)

Coach £490

Standon Bowers per child £173

Total £4642

Cost to parents £193.50

Yours sincerely

Mrs Milhavy-Jones

Headteacher