

Head of School Mrs Emma Bamber

YEAR 4 Residential: Snooze at the Zoo Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th May 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

During Year 4, the children will be learning about animals and habitats. To support this learning, we are very excited to announce that we have secured a new residential trip to Dartmoor Zoo.

Our residential trip will include the following activities:

- Tour of Dartmoor Zoo
- Animal feed and talk
- Enrichment making and placing
- Big cat talk
- Close Encounters workshop
- Endangered animals workshop
- Zoo trail (scavenger hunt)
- Hot dinner
- Hot chocolate and marshmallows
- After dark zoo tour
- Morning at the zoo to include breakfast, mindfulness activities and sketching and lunch on site

In addition to this, each of the children will also receive a 'Snooze at the Zoo' t-shirt on arrival to keep.

The children will be sleeping in an indoor camp. They will use their camping mats and sleeping bags to create the camp in a large, secure indoor hall. The pupils will be sleeping altogether in one space, supervised by teachers, but will have separate boys' and girls' changing rooms.







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The Year 4 teachers will lead the trip, along with additional support staff members. The children will travel to and from the zoo by coach.

Beacon Cove and half of Anstey's Cove will be leaving for the one night residential at 9:00 am on Wednesday 7th May. The children will need to bring their overnight bags to Gibson Hall and then head up to their classroom with their day bags (details of what should be included in each bag is on the kit list attached to this email). We will return to school at approximately 2:15 pm on Thursday 8th May. Parents will be able to collect their children from Gibson Hall upon our return. Hope Cove and the other half of Anstey's Cove will leave on the Thursday morning, returning on Friday.

The cost for the residential, including all the activities, catering and a Dartmoor zoo t-shirt is £106.00 per child. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, there is a reduction to the cost and this will be reflected on ParentPay.

If your child would like to attend the residential, you will need to pay the first two payments by Friday 24th January 2025. The payments have been split into four instalments to help with the cost. If you have any concerns about payments, please do not hesitate to speak to your child's class teacher or Gemma Endacott on gendacott@rivieraet.co.uk.

The payment deadlines are as follows:

Payment 1: £31.00 by Friday 29th November 2024 Payment 2: £25.00 by Friday 24th January 2025 Payment 3: £25.00 by Friday 28th February 2025 Payment 4: £25.00 by Friday 28th March 2025

We would like to invite you to a Parents' Information Meeting on Tuesday 3rd December at 3.30pm in the conference room. If you are unable to attend, the information will be shared with parents via email following the meeting.

Kind regards,

Mrs Milligan, Miss Freer and Miss Collis



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