

Head of School Mrs Emma Bamber

## YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL OCTOBER 2025 HEATREE HOUSE

Dear Year 5 Parent/Carer(s),

I write to invite your child to attend the Year 6 Residential Trip. The children will be attending in the Autumn term for five days (four nights) at the Heatree House from **Monday 20th to Friday 24th October 2025.** 

The purpose of the trip is to enable the pupils to develop independence and benefit from valuable learning experiences as part of a team in an exciting environment away from home.

The whole year group will be staying at the Heatree House Centre in Manaton, Dartmoor. Heatree House was a residential school until 1989 before being converted into an excellent Christian residential activity centre. It is set in its own extensive grounds which offer walks surrounded by farmland, forestry and moorland.

All the bedrooms are centrally heated, double glazed and have en-suite facilities. There is a mixture of different sized rooms, ranging from 2-6 per room, the majority accommodating 4 or fewer. Additional facilities include a large lounge / TV room, two classrooms, games rooms and a drying room. The centre employs a cook who is proud of their reputation for good food and service. The centre offers a choice of meat and vegetarian dishes every day and so special dietary considerations present few problems. All adventure activities are delivered by fully qualified staff.

The Year 6 teachers will lead the trip, along with additional support staff members. Teachers hold appropriate qualifications and have had previous residential visit experience. The centre and their staff have undertaken appropriate risk assessments. The children will travel to and from the centre by coach.



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The cost for the week-long residential, including all activities, travel, residential and catering costs is £331.00 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 non-refundable deposit of £71.00 by Friday 28th February. The remainder of the payments have been split into four instalments of £65.00 to help with the cost. If you have any concerns about payments, please do not hesitate to speak to your class teacher or Gemma Endacott in the school office on <a href="mailto:gendacott@rivieraet.co.uk">gendacott@rivieraet.co.uk</a>.

The payment deadlines are as follows:

Payment 1: £71.00 by Friday 28th February 25
Payment 2: £65.00 by Friday 28th March 25
Payment 3: £65.00 by Friday 25th April 25
Payment 4: £65.00 by Friday 30th May 25
Payment 5: £65.00 by Friday 27th June 25

Further information regarding the proposed programme, organisation etc. will be forwarded to parents nearer the time. The programme is planned to provide pupils with the opportunity to participate in a full range of team and outdoor challenges and a disco. Activities include kayaking, climbing, abseiling, archery, high ropes and orienteering.

We would like to invite you to a **Parents' Information Meeting on Tuesday 14th January at 4:30pm in the conference room**. If you are unable to attend, the information will be shared with parents via email following the meeting.

## Disclaimer

We make every effort to complete the visit programme, but this may have to be altered due to conditions beyond our control. At all times, the safety of the children is of paramount importance. The teachers in charge are required to accept full responsibility for all the children in their care and act in 'loco parentis' for the duration of the visit.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs Emma Bamber Head of School

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