

Witham St Hughs Academy



PGL Residential

Year 6



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A L.E.A.D. Academy



FAQs

Q. Can my child bring teddy bears?

A. If the children would like to, they can bring a teddy bear or their usual bedtime comforter to sleep with at bed time.

Q. What does my child need to bring?

A. Please see the kit list that has already been sent out. The children need to have plenty of warm clothing and a coat. As we will be canoeing on arrival, all children need to be wearing clothes that they can use on the water. It would be a good idea to have a set of dry clothes/shoes and a towel in a backpack for Wednesday afternoon. The rest of the children's belongings can be brought in a labelled suitcase/holdall, etc. A small backpack would also be useful for carrying around water bottles, hats, etc., during the day.

Q. Does my child need any money?

A. Children can bring up to £15 spending money. There is a shop which we will be visiting which sells snacks, drinks and souvenirs. (E.g stationery, mugs, teddies and jewellery, etc)

Q. What time will the children arrive back at school?

A. The estimated time of arrival back to school is 2.15pm. Parents/carers are welcome to collect their child at 2.15pm from the school car park. Any children who are at Kids Club or unable to be collected at 2.15pm will be looked after by staff until 3.25pm.

Q. What time do the children leave?

A. The bus will leave the school car park at 11.30am. Parents are welcome to wave your children off from 11.15am.

Q. Does my child need to bring a water bottle or snacks?

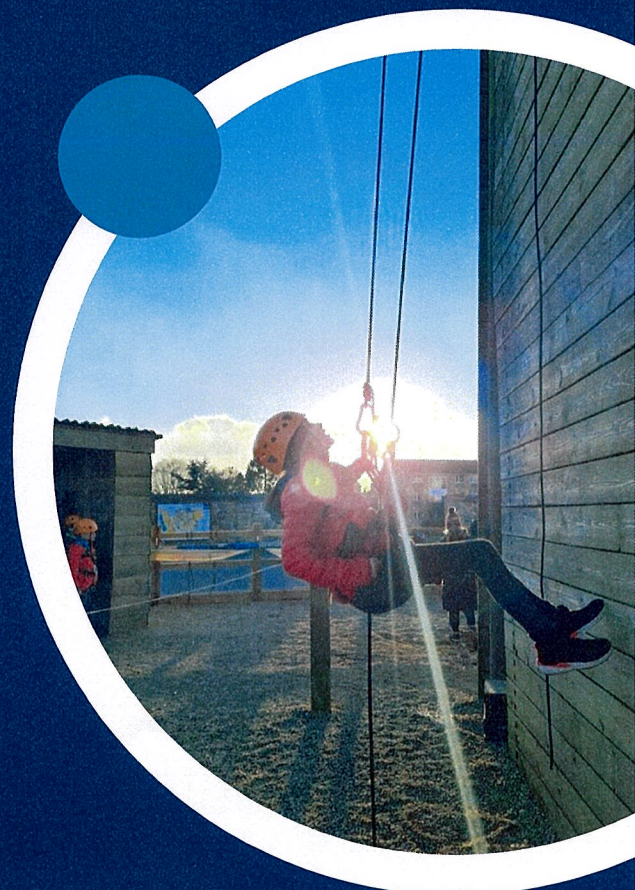
A. Children need to bring a packed lunch for Wednesday as the first meal provided by PGL will be on Wednesday evening. (A disposable bag will be fine) The rest of the meals for our stay will be provided by PGL. All children will need a water bottle to take to the activities. Children can bring sweets, crisps and biscuits to eat as snacks in the evenings. (No nuts, please)

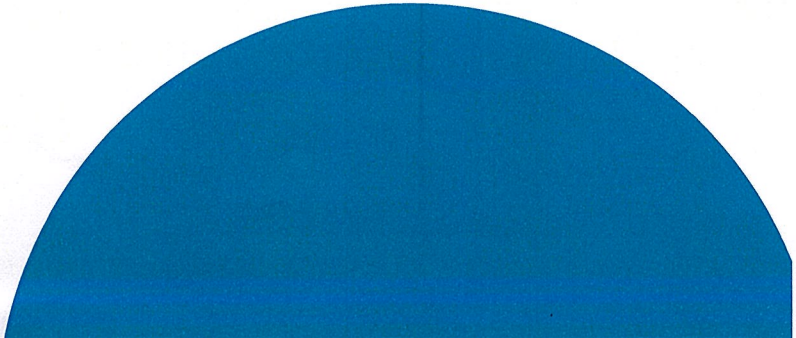
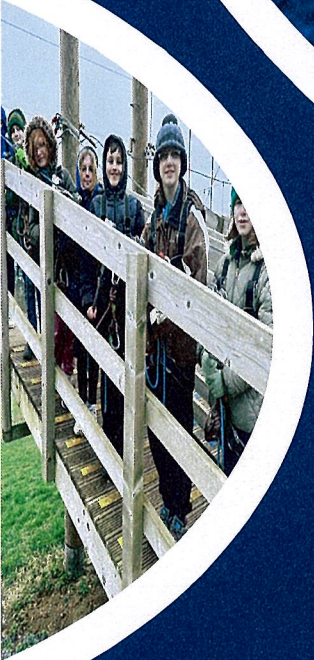
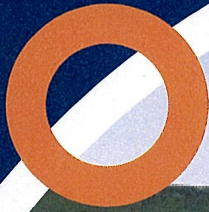
Q. What if my child has a food allergy or specific dietary requirement?

A. Please ensure any allergies or dietary information is shared with the class teacher in plenty of time prior to the trip. PGL are very accommodating but need notice to ensure food is prepared specifically to meet the needs of the children.

Q. Can my child bring a mobile phone?

A. No





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Q. What if my child wakes up in the night?

A. There will be adults in the staff bedrooms at all times which are immediately next to the children's rooms. Children will be told that they can always speak to an adult whatever time – day or night! Children will of course be encouraged to stay in bed during the night but will have access to the toilets as and when needed. There are lights with motion sensors on should the children need the toilet during the night.

Q. What if my child needs to take medication with them?

A. Please ensure that all inhalers and other forms of medication have been handed over to the school office and the medication form signed before children are dropped off to the classroom door in the morning of the trip. An adult will then be able to administer the medication as directed and with an additional adult as a witness.

Q. What if my child needs first aid or feels ill?

A. In the same way we would report accidents/injuries at school, staff will use Medical Tracker to report when first aid is provided and you will receive an email as usual informing you of the treatment your child has received. If we feel that a child needs to be collected from PGL for further medical attention, we will contact you via phone as we would during any school day. For illness, we will administer calpol once if you have given consent. If your child still feels ill after this time we will call you to decide what to do. This might include collecting your child.

Q. Will my child be in a room with their friends?

A. Children will be in a room with either 4, 6 or 8 other pupils. Staff will ensure that they are in a room with at least one of their friends.

Q. What if my child forgets to take something to PGL?

A. Please check the packing list carefully before the

trip. If a child forgets something important such as pyjamas, outdoor shoes or medication, a member of staff will call you and ask you to bring this to PGL.

Q. What if my child does not follow the Academy behaviour policy whilst at PGL?

A. As happens every day, staff will follow the Academy behaviour policy which includes a range of strategies to ensure children remain safe and respectful. These include: giving verbal reminders, giving children time out to reflect. If a child's behaviour puts them or other children at risk, parents/carers will be called to collect their child from PGL.

Q. What will happen if my child doesn't want to do any of the activities?

A. Children will need to stay with their group but if they do not wish to try any of the activities, they can watch, support and help with various jobs. They will be encouraged to try an activity by the PGL but ultimately, they can choose whether to take part or not.





Q. How much information will we receive whilst the children are away?

A. There will be one Facebook post on the day of arrival. There will be some Facebook posts on the second day of each group activity. There will be a Facebook post on the final day.

Q. What if my child loses their belongings whilst on the trip?

A. The PGL residential is a fantastic opportunity for children to develop independence and resilience. Adults will encourage children to be responsible for their own belongings, but of course will support children with organising their items. It would be incredibly helpful if all items were labelled with their name.

Q. What if I need to contact the WSH staff team at PGL?

A. If you need to contact the staff, please call the school office on 01522 869 590 during the hours 8.15-4pm or email enquiries@withamsthughs.org.

If you need to contact the WSH staff at PGL urgently, please call the school mobile number on:

07356 110618

For further details regarding specific items to pack, please refer to the packing list that was out in the Autumn term.



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