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**Delamere Residential
Monday 15 – Tuesday 16 May 2017**

Dear Year 4 Parents & Children

Just a final few notes ahead of our trip to Delamere.

On Monday, children should arrive at school at normal time and should place their bags outside the main office. Please remember to pack light! Once all the children are assembled, the children can say their goodbyes to their parents and will go to the school hall with the teachers for some introductory games. Children also bring a separate small backpack (containing things for the journey) which they will keep with them when they are taken up to the centre at around 9.20am. If parents wish to wait until we leave to wave us off, you are very welcome.

In terms of contact, I will be updating the school's twitter account @avalonschwirral with photographs which automatically post to the Avalon facebook page, should you prefer to view them that way. When viewing the posts, please do not add comments containing children's names.

Children should come to school dressed in clothing appropriate for the outdoors. The children will be given a t-shirt and we ask that children come to school dressed in them to travel. Remember that children will not need their uniform. Dressing for the first day may be dependent on the weather that particular day but please remember that during the residential, the majority of the time is going to be spent outdoors, so please send your child with appropriate clothing. We are going for a walk in the woods as soon as we arrive so children should come dressed and ready for this activity.

I suggest that the children will need 3 pairs of shoes for the trip. A pair for indoors, a pair for outdoors and general use (boots or walking shoes are ideal) and a pair of water shoes.

Around the centre If the weather is not good, wellies could be worn, but outdoor shoes and boots are ideal for all the activities.

Bedrooms Indoor shoes or slippers are useful in order to keep the centre clean otherwise they will have to wear just their socks indoors.

At the sailing Children will need a pair of "water" shoes to wear whilst they are sailing

May I also remind you not to send your child with any medication in their bags please, and to give it to Mrs Ellsmoor on the day of departure, **clearly labelled with name and instructions please.**

Further notes

- ☞ Children are not allowed to bring mobile phones, expensive cameras, "go pros", iPods, iPads, CD players or electronic games to the centre. There are no exceptions to this rule.
- ☞ Please do not send children with any sweets or chocolates. We are taking some which we will distribute to the children after our evening meals. Delamere is a completely nut free centre and there must be no nuts brought on to site.
- ☞ Children will require a sandwich lunch on the first day and should bring from home please. We will be taking bottles of water, crisps and fruit for the journey to supplement their lunches. As above, please do not send sweets or chocolate with the packed lunch.

On the Tuesday, Children can be collected by parents at 4.30pm (note slight change of time) from Wirral Sailing Centre (Morrison's end) and taken home or taken by parents to Marigolds in West Kirby for dinner (not included in price). If you would like to join us at Marigolds, please let me know via email and I will reserve places for you.

It is our hope that all the children will have an enjoyable and enriching experience on the residential. Please reiterate to the children that if they have problems, whatever their nature, whilst we are away, they must talk to a member of staff as soon as possible.

Regards,



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