



Dear Parents

Year Six London Residential
Wednesday 21st – Friday 23rd May 2025

I am delighted to share with you our plans for the extremely exciting three-day residential visiting London in June. Please find below details of our stay and a kit list of items necessary for the children to bring with them.

Cost

The cost for this residential will be **£480**, with a final payment date of **23rd April 2025**.

Day One – school sweatshirts to be worn

This three-day experience will start on Wednesday 21st May when the children will need to arrive at school at 6:30 am, for a 7:00 departure, time to be confirmed nearer the departure date.

The children will need to have with them:

- ☐ A daypack containing a large, packed lunch for the day and water, which **should not be** packed into a lunch box. No canned drinks or glass bottles please, preferably a refillable litre plastic bottle filled with water. Also in their daypack, sunscreen, and waterproofs. This should be separate from their main baggage as that will not be accessible until much later in the day. Children may bring something to read or a small travel game for the journey.
- ☐ We advise that children wear sensible walking shoes/boots or trainers.
If it is raining or forecast to rain, please ensure children have their waterproofs when they board the coach/minibus in their day bag.

Children should not bring mobile phones or any electronic devices with them on the trip.

Day sacks **MUST** be of the two padded strap variety which will allow the children to carry all they need for a day out in comfort. It is essential that they have both hands free and must not be carrying a bag. Please make sure your child does have this as children have suffered in the past with very inappropriate bags.

Accommodation

We will be staying in a Premiere Inn, Heathrow Terminal 4 where we have been allocated rooms altogether on one floor. The rooms sleep 3 children, and all have ensembles with card entry, (tea and coffee making facilities will be removed).

Staff members will sleep in a separate room and therefore have direct supervision of all the children through the day and night. All adults will be in mobile phone contact with one another and the school at all times.

We would like to assure all parents once again of the safety aspects of this residential. **Safety** is a **priority** and all risk assessments have been carried out and control measures put in place.



Programme

A flight on the London Eye, educational visits to HMS Belfast, the Science Museum and the Tower of London, Thames River Cruise, The Apollo Theatre for the evening performance
- show to be confirmed, Harry Potter World, two evening meals to be arranged at local restaurants.

We will leave for our journey home at 14:00 on Friday 23rd May, arriving back at school at 21:00- 21:30.

Health and Medication

Should your child need to take regular medication during our visit there is no problem with this. Please bring your child's medication to school on the morning of the departure.

The medication must:

- be labelled clearly with your child's name and the required dosage.
- be in a suitable container.
- be given to Mrs Hawkins.
- NOT be packed in luggage or day sac. (The exception to this would be asthma inhalers.)

A log will be kept of any medicine administered during the residential. If there is any medical information it would be useful for me to know before the trip, please speak with me.

Staff

Group Leader:	Mrs Hawkins
Deputy Leader:	Mr Mitchell
First Aider/Medication:	Mrs Hawkins
Additional Staff:	Mrs Martell & Mrs Hall

Travel

The children will be travelling by coach. If your child suffers with travel sickness, please bring this to the attention of Mrs Hawkins who will be collecting in all medication. Please ensure your child has taken appropriate precautions on the morning of the trip and that, should you wish them to have medication on the journey home, this is put in an envelope which is clearly marked with your child's name and the correct dosage.

Food

Good comforting food is provided by the Premiere Inn, The café, Pizza Express and The London Lunch Company. Please inform Mrs Hawkins of any special dietary requirements. The menu will be healthy but will also contain lots of treats, and why not?

Money

Children can have some money to spend at Harry Potter World, but it is not essential, as it can be expensive. Please can you put all payment cards or vouchers into an envelope with your child's name on the front and give this to Mrs Hawkins on the day of departure. All cards/ vouchers will be handed out by Mrs Hawkins when required.

Emergencies


In the event of an emergency either, on residential or at home, the contact point will be school. You will not be able to contact us directly. But we will always be able to contact you. I am delighted to say that emergency contact has not been needed before and I am committed to ensuring that this will continue to be the case.

All members of staff will have mobile phones and the school will be able to contact us throughout the week.

In the unlikely event that a child must return home from residential early for reasons such as ill health, we will contact you and arrange the most effective and safe way to get your child home with you. This may need you to come and collect them. You should be prepared for this.

Should you have anything you wish to discuss regarding any aspect of this visit please come to see me. Thank you.

Yours sincerely



Mrs Hawkins
Residential Leader



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EQUIPMENT LIST

It is imperative luggage is kept to a minimum. Some of our activities during this residential will be out of doors and your child could get cold or wet so a complete change of clothing is essential. We cannot guarantee good weather therefore we must be prepared for all types of weather. We may be walking outside in windy conditions so please bring clothing to cope with the wet and the cold. Remember two thinner layers can be warmer than one thick layer. We may also be walking outside in hot dry conditions and so adequate protection from the sun is essential (caps will be provided by the school). For your benefit and our sanity, it would be appreciated if all items are **clearly labelled** with your child's name. **Please do not pack for your child – pack with them.** A piece of good advice is to put each group of items in different plastic carrier bags and write on them what is in each bag. This will help the children no end especially as they will have packed the bags **themselves**. They will soon recognise which bag contains which item of clothing. Please remember to include a couple of spare plastic bags for dirty and wet clothes. Thank you.

Please accommodate the below in one bag if possible. For loading and unloading of baggage it's best that everything is in one bag as opposed to lots of smaller bags.

Essential items	Packed	Returned
Waterproof coat		
Waterproof trousers		
Walking shoes or trainers		
Spare T-shirt		
Spare sweater		
Spare Trousers, not shorts, thick, NOT jeans (jogging bottoms are great)		
Spare socks and underwear		
Comfortable thick socks for walking		
Pyjamas / reading book		
Toiletries in a bag or container		
NO AEROSOL DEODORANTS		
Sunscreen and lip salve		
Shower gel/Shampoo		
Sunglasses		
Small towel		
Tissues		
Spare plastic bags for dirty washing		
Bag for wet/dirty clothes		
Cards - in an envelope- labelled with your child's name (for money to spend at Harry Potter World)		

Items NOT Required

Mobile phones/Kindles
Electronic equipment
Expensive cameras
Pillow
In-luggage Air Tags