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Dear parents and carers,

Re: River Dart Travel Arrangements

We hope that you are all as excited as we are about the upcoming visit to River Dart. We would like to share with you some arrangements for travel to and from the visit and to give you some last reminders about what the children need to bring.

Arrival

Please could all children arrive at school on **Monday 16th October at 7am**. Entry will be through the **main pedestrian gate** and the children will be taken straight into the KS2 hall, where they will be registered and sorted into their groups for the trip. Parents are welcome to wait outside the school to wave goodbye to the coach as we leave.

We will be leaving promptly at 7:30am and it is vital that all children have been dropped off and registered before this time to avoid delays. Unfortunately, we are unable to wait for pupils who are not dropped off on time.

For the coach journey, pupils should wear comfortable clothes such as tracksuit bottoms and T-shirts. We would recommend that pupils bring a jumper or hoodie in case they are cold on the coach. No electronic devices (such as handheld games consoles or mobile phones) are permitted on the trip, however the children may bring playing cards, notebooks and similar entertainments for the coach.

Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch with them for the journey. This will be eaten when we stop at the service station on the way. Pupils should also bring a **named water bottle** with them. Please do not send sweets or snacks for the coach as pupils will not be permitted to eat on the coaches. **Please be aware that Fresh Start will not be providing lunches for this.**

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Medication

If your child takes any medication, prescribed by a doctor or otherwise, then this must be handed to school staff on Monday 16th when the children arrive. Please ensure that any medication is in the original packaging and has the child's name on the box and a pharmacy prescription label attached if applicable. If you have not previously completed a medication form then please also bring this with you on the day (if your child requires travel sickness tablets then there is no need to complete the prescribing doctor's information).

Once again, we would like to remind you that we cannot share medication between children, even with parental consent, and that each child must bring their own, labelled, medication with them.

For children who require travel sickness medication, this should be given at home before you leave for school so that it has enough time to work before we leave.

Packing

Pupils should bring either a small suitcase or sports bag containing their clothing and shoes for the trip. The packing list is attached again for your reference. Please ensure that pupils are able to lift and carry their bags independently as, due to the number of children attending, we will not be able to assist them with carrying bags to the coach and to their dormitories once we arrive.

All clothing, shoes and other belongings must be named. During the visit, pupils will be out in all weathers (unless this poses a safety risk) and so we strongly urge you to check the weather forecasts for Devon that week and to pack accordingly; waterproofs and **multiple** pairs of shoes (ideally including wellies or hiking boots) are a must. Please remember that the clothing the children bring on the visit is highly likely to become wet, muddy or both and so please do not send anything precious or irreplaceable.

Pupils should also bring a small backpack which they can take on the coach and which can be used to hold a packed lunch (provided by CRS Adventures) and water bottle during one of our activities.

Return journey

We will be returning to school on **Friday 20th October**. We hope to arrive at school for **5:30pm** and ask that all children are collected promptly from the **main pedestrian gate**. In the event that we are delayed by traffic, we will inform the school who will contact you and inform you of our estimated arrival time.

Thank you again for your support with arranging this visit for our Year 6 pupils, we know that they will have a wonderful time and will make happy memories for years to come.

Kind regards,

Mr Irwin

Year 6 Year Leader

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CRS ADVENTURES
RESIDENTIAL PACKING LIST
 (Based on 4 nights/ 5 days)



ESSENTIAL CLOTHING	My Check List
3 x Pairs of Tracksuit Trousers/ Leggings * (NO JEANS)	
3 x Short Sleeve T-Shirts *	
3 x Long Sleeve T-Shirts/ Shirts *	
3 x Sweatshirts/ Pullovers *	
2 x Pairs of swimming trunks/ Costumes	
Underwear	
Socks (lots of them)	
Pyjamas/ Night clothes	
Slippers/ Indoor shoes (For indoor use only)	
2 x Pairs of Trainers (1 pair for wet use)	
Wellington Boots	
OTHER ESSENTIAL ITEMS	
2 x Large Towels	
Wash Kit (Roll on deodorant only – NO aerosols)	
Torch plus spare batteries (Very important Mar, Apr, May, Sep & Oct)	
Unbreakable water bottle (Very important)	
Small Rucksack for day use	
Black bin bags (For wet/ dirty clothing)	
Waterproofs – Jacket and Trousers (Very important)	
Hat, Sun cream, Insect repellent (Very important in summer)	
Woolly hat, gloves, scarf, thermal underwear (Winter)	
Face Mask	

***Activity Clothing Notes:**

All items of clothing should be marked with your NAME

The clothing needs to be hard wearing and, depending on the time of year, should include a fleece/warm jacket. This list is the minimum recommended requirements, the weather can be very unpredictable and should we have a very wet week, then it may be necessary to have more changes of clothing. Some, if not all, of this clothing will get very dirty – old clothing is by far the best option.

Shoes for activity use should be a sturdy closed shoe that can be fastened (NO sandals, flip flops or Crocs)

NO ELECTRICAL ITEMS OR ELECTRONIC DEVICES PLEASE

It is advisable to have an extra set of clothing that is not used for activities in order to have something clean to put on in the evenings and to travel home in.

All specialist equipment, e.g. helmets, climbing harnesses etc. will be provided by the centre.

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William Harding School - Medication Administration

Please use this form to give us details of any regular medication that your child requires such as inhalers or antibiotics. If your child requires more than one medication then please use a separate form for each. **For travel sickness tablets, a prescription is not required and you do not need to include details of your child's doctor.**

Pupil details

Surname..... First Names.....

M/F..... Class..... Date of birth.....

Address.....

Medical condition or illness.....

Medication (this medicine has been prescribed by a doctor, in its original container and includes prescribers notes and patient information sheet, please note inhalers and packaging must have a prescription label)

Name and strength of medication.....

Date dispensed..... Start date of course.....

Expiry date..... Expiry date of course.....

Name of prescribing Doctor..... Tel No.....

Address of prescribing Doctor.....

Dosage and method..... Timing.....

Special Precautions or side effects.....

Contact details of parent or guardian

Name..... Relationship to pupil.....

Daytime telephone number..... Mobile no.....

Address

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I understand that I must deliver the medicine personally (to school matron or Year 6 staff) and accept that this is a service that the school is not obliged to provide.

The above information is, to the best of my knowledge, accurate at the time of writing and I give consent the school staff to administer medication in accordance with the policy.
I will inform the school immediately, in writing, if there is any change in dosage or frequency of the medication or if the medication is stopped.

Signature of parent/carer Date.....

A parent as defined in section 576 of the education act 1996 includes any person who is not a parent of the child but has parental responsibility for the care of the child. In this context, the phrase 'care of a child' includes any person who is involved in the full-time care of a child on a settled basis, such as a foster parent, but excludes babysitters, child minders, nannies and school staff.

Head teachers' signature..... Date.....

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