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Friday, 17th May 2024

Dear Year 4 parents,

Re: Year 5 Residential 5th -7th March 2025

Further to the letter sent to you on 19th April, about reviewing the planned residential offer for March 2025, we are very pleased to share that we have managed to reduce the costs for parents and have secured a revised visit, now planned for Wednesday 5th – Friday 7th March 2025.

Having consulted with other residential providers, sought further recommendations from other local schools, made recce to site and received various assurances around cost bandings, insurances and activities, we then referred back to PGL to see if they could revise their original quote, in order that we had a fairer comparison between companies.

After due consideration of the revised and new quotes, we are very pleased to say that the three-day Year 5 residential *will* be at Osmington Bay (PGL) at the new total cost of **£216.02** per pupil. This price includes coach travel, two nights' accommodation, all meals, activities and insurance. The trip to Osmington Bay will involve a range of exciting activities aimed at adventure and team building; for further insight to the venue and activities on offer, please visit the website www.pgl.co.uk.

To confirm and secure your child's place, you will need to complete the school trip contract click here <https://forms.office.com/e/jRLPWNOiE1> ; a non-refundable deposit of £50.00 will also need to be paid via your child's Arbor account by 9:00am, Monday 4th June 2024.

When the school organises a residential visit in school time, to support the National Curriculum, we do not make a charge for the educational element. However, we do make a charge to cover the cost of board and lodging. Parents who receive certain state benefits can request financial assistance by writing in confidence to the Finance Manager l.locke@ajs.hants.sch.uk . Please refer to our charging policy, which can be accessed on our website.

Thank you to all of you for your patience over this past month, whilst we have been busy working 'behind the scenes' to confirm next year's residential. We hope that all of the children will be able to take up this opportunity and look forward to meeting with you all next academic year, nearer the time, to talk more about the details of the trip to Osmington.

Kind regards,

Charlie Bartolomeo

Headteacher