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Friday 25th September 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Changes to Residential Trips for this Academic Year

I am writing to inform you of some changes we have made to the residential trips scheduled for this academic year at Wouldham All Saints, following careful consideration and consultation.

Firstly, we would like to reassure you that the Year 6 trip to France, which is timetabled for the first week of October, will still be going ahead as planned. We believe that this trip is a valuable opportunity for our Year 6 students to enhance their learning experience whilst fostering personal growth and cultural understanding.

Mr Wyatt-Hughes is leading this trip and is looking forward to meeting with parents today after school.

However, we have decided to reschedule the year 5 residential trip to Bewl Water. In order to accommodate the concerns raised by some parents regarding advanced notice and payment schedules, this trip will now take place in February 2024. We will be sending out full details, including costs, later this week to allow sufficient time for parents to establish a suitable payment plan.

Additionally, we regret to inform you that we have made the difficult decision to cancel the previously organised North Wales (Snowdon) trip. After careful consideration, we found that the prices quoted for this trip were not within a reasonable range, considering the current cost of living crisis. We understand the disappointment this may cause and apologise for any inconvenience caused.

For Year 6 children who have not had the opportunity to go on a residential trip during their time at Wouldham, we would like to extend an offer. If your child is interested in attending the Bewl Water trip this year, please inform us, and we will endeavour to accommodate them (pending numbers). We understand that participating in a residential trip can be a significant part of a child's transition and preparation for secondary school, and we would like to ensure that every student has this opportunity.

We hope that these changes, though they may bring about disappointment for some, will ultimately allow for smoother financial planning and participation in these valuable educational experiences. As always, if you have any further queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. We highly value your understanding and ongoing support.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs V Baldwin Headteacher