



Monday 14 October 2019

Dear Parent/Carer,

Hilltop Outdoor Adventurous Activities Residential Visit: Weds 29th – Friday 31st Jan 2020

Following on from another successful residential trip last year to Hilltop Activity Centre in Sheringham on the North Norfolk coast, we would like to offer the opportunity to your young person to take part in our latest outdoor adventurous activities experience. The visit will provide pupils with learning opportunities across a variety of outdoor and adventurous activities aimed at developing independence, problem solving, teamwork, communication and resilience.

For pupils that will be attending for the first time, please find attached some background information about Hilltop. We also recommend you visit their website, www.hilltopoutdoorcentre.co.uk, you will find more detailed information about the organisation and the activities we could be taking part in.

As in previous years, this will be a three day, two night experience from **Wednesday 29th January – Friday 31st January 2020**. We are asking for a parental contribution of £160 per student. The parental contribution will need to be paid either in full, or in instalments, as shown below:

1st Instalment £50 due by Thursday 31st October 2019

2nd Instalment £50 due by Friday 29th November 2019

3rd Instalment £60 due by Wednesday 15th January 2019

Please be advised that places are limited and will be issued on a first come, first served basis. Places will be secured with the first instalment of £50 and we will confirm if you have been successful in securing a place. Please make cheques payable to: Medeshamstede Academy.

Pupil attendance on the trip is subject to a satisfactory risk assessment before departure, and throughout the trip, ensuring that the young person is able to safely manage themselves within the expectations set by the academy and Hilltop Activity Centre.

Please complete the attached permission slip and return to reception by **Thursday 31st October 2019** with your first instalment.

We will not be hosting a parent meeting due to a low uptake last year but I will be available to go through the plans for the visit and answer any questions that you may have via telephone contact or face to face meeting. Please contact the academy to arrange a time to speak further.

***Medeshamstede Academy is part of the Greenwood Dale Foundation Trust
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I look forward to welcoming your young person on what I am sure will be another valuable and memorable learning experience for all those that wish to attend.

Yours sincerely



Mr Hill
Deputy Head of School

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Please return this slip to Mrs Edwards on Reception by **Thursday 31st October 2019**

ATTENDANCE OF HILLTOP TRIP

I/we **give** permission for my child to attend the Hilltop Activity Centre residential visit and include the first instalment of £50. I understand that attendance is subject to a satisfactory risk assessment.

My child does not wish to attend the residential visit.

Please make cheques payable to: Medeshamstede Academy



About

Hilltop Outdoor Centre in Sheringham on the North Norfolk Coast is a high quality, family run independent Outdoor Education Centre. Hilltop offers a superior and unique experience, providing developmental visits to Schools and Educational groups. Set in 26 acres of picturesque woodlands Hilltop has modern and comfortable accommodation and facilities. There are two themed centres within the grounds of Hilltop, the rustic Woodland Lodge and the coastal style Seaview House which if booked together accommodate up to 160 children.

Activities

Hilltop has attained the “Learning Outside of the Classroom” badge and provides an exciting array of outdoor adventure activities such as High Ropes, Climbing Wall, Super Swing and the new Amazing Air Jump along with many Field study activities including Bush Craft, Coastal Erosion, Rocky Seashore and Rail & Trail.

Challenge by choice is our ethos with the emphasis on Learning through Activity, Enjoyment, Achievement, Discovery, Responsibility and Reflection. Hilltop is purpose built to ensure high levels of participation and activity.

Field studies are designed to be active and involved rather than 'look and see'

A balanced programme of activities and discovery sessions can be selected from the many activities available to suit your school objectives, aims and the demands of the National Curriculum. Hilltop also provides a full evening programme of games and activities.



