

Year 4 Residential 25th-26th April 2024 Pioneer Centre



Pioneer Centre – what's the aim?

We believe there is so much power in young people experiencing a residential, so we want to build and maintain centres that make this possible. We strive to provide the best outdoor activity experience out there because we want to see young people flourish in learning new skills, developing new friendships and gaining a fresh confidence for their future.

WHAT SKILLS CAN MY GROUP DEVELOP?



Communication



Independent Thinking



Knowledge



Leadership



Numeracy



Physical



Resilience



Social



Teamwork



Time Management

Staffing

Staff attending the trip are:

- Mr Hale
- Mrs Jeynes
- Miss Davis
- Miss George
- Miss Friend
- Miss Finch

The Centre provides fully qualified staff to run all the activities. The children will be in groups with a member of CO staff for support and a designated Centre staff member to lead activities.



Transport

- We are about an hour away from the centre by coach.
- We will travel on two Commandery Coaches.
- On Thursday 25th April, we will leave school to arrive at the centre for around 11:30 am.
- We will return the following day by 3:00pm.



- Your child will need everything that they are taking packed into a suitcase or carry bag that they can move around.
- They will also require a smaller bag or rucksack for their lunch box.

Medication

We take first aiders with us and there are also qualified first aiders working for the Pioneer Centre.

Medical form to complete (online Forms).

Any medication that we need to take: please label it clearly with child's name and precise instructions on how to administer (how much and when).

Give medication to Mr Hale on the morning that we leave.

Speak to one of us if you have concerns.

Eating arrangements



Children will need a packed lunch on Thursday to eat at the centre when we arrive.



Dinner will be at 5:45pm



Breakfast and lunch will be provided on Friday.

Eating arrangements



- Breakfast consists of juices, cereals, toast and cooked options.
- Dinner is two courses and there is also access to a salad bar.
- There are vegetarian options available for those that require it. Please complete the Forms to let us know any dietary requirements and allergies.

Sleeping arrangements



- Tree Tops – boys' rooms
- Forest Lodge – girls' rooms
- All rooms are ensuite meaning that once they are in their rooms at night they don't need to go anywhere else.
- Each area also has a lounge area.
- The accommodation areas are locked at night-time.

Sleeping arrangements



- Rooms can accommodate between 4 and 6 children. We will group them closer to the time as it will depend on which activity groups they are in.
- No aerosols or electrical equipment is to be taken and **no phones**.

Activities

The centre makes the choice about what we will do. These were last year's options:

- High ropes
- Caving (indoors)
- Inflatable obstacle course
- Zipwire
- Abseiling
- Campfire

25th - 26th April 2024

	Thursday 25th April				Friday 26th April			
Session Times	2-3.30	4-5.30	DINNER TIME	7.15-8.30	9.30-11	11.30-1	LUNCH TIME	Depart & Goodbyes
	Session 3	Session 4		Session 5	Session 1	Session 2		
Group 1	HIGH ROPES	CAVING		CAMP FIRE	ABSEIL/ZIP	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE		
Group 2	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE	HIGH ROPES		CAMP FIRE	CAVING	ABSEIL/ZIP		
Group 3	ABSEIL/ZIP	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE		CAMP FIRE	HIGH ROPES	CAVING		
Group 4	CAVING	ABSEIL/ZIP		CAMP FIRE	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE	HIGH ROPES		
Group 5	HIGH ROPES	CAVING		CAMP FIRE	ABSEIL/ZIP	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE		
Group 6	INFLATABLE CHALLENGE	HIGH ROPES		CAMP FIRE	CAVING	ABSEIL/ZIP		

Our individual activity sessions are suitable for up to 14 participants.

Activities



Kit list

FOR RESIDENTIAL GUESTS

Towels, soap, toothbrush and other wash-kit items such as toothpaste and shampoo.

Nightwear (we provide everything on the bed (sheets, pillows, duvet etc) but you need to bring what you wear in bed. *Remember that our bedrooms are normally quite warm.*

Changes of underwear and outer clothes to last you through the time you are here.

Indoor shoes

IF YOU ARE TAKING PART IN ACTIVITIES INCLUDING DAY GROUPS (or plan to go outside for walks or sport)

Warm clothes such as sweatshirts, hoodies and track-pants (plus a woolly hat and gloves in the winter).

Long trousers (important for safety on some activities) but not trousers that will be stiff or heavy when wet

Waterproof jacket (and over-trousers if you have them) because you may have to sometimes wait in the rain during an activity.

Trainers—at least 2 pairs, one that you don't mind getting wet and maybe muddy on activities and another to wear indoors for the dining room, meeting rooms and sports hall.

Wellies (especially if you plan to go for any walks in the forest or countryside nearby) but they are not suitable for on-site activities

Old clothes for activities like Raft Building where you may get wet and muddy. Old trainers or wet shoes. They may lose or damage shoes on activities.

Swimming costume for under clothes if required

IMPORTANT THINGS TO REMEMBER

Pocket money for the shops (if your group leader has booked)

Water bottle/Drinks container to take out on activities (especially in the summer)

Plastic bags and bin liners to put dirty and damp clothes into for taking home

WE RECOMMEND

Medicines, inhalers etc are handed over to your group leader for safe keeping during the stay and issued to you when required.

Everything is marked or labelled with your name.

NAYC/ACUK - PIONEER CENTRE CANNOT BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY LOSS, DAMAGE OR THEFT TO ANY PERSONAL PROPERTY - therefore we advise everyone not to bring expensive or favourite items.

***A reminder for school groups.** Most school groups arrive during the morning on a weekday and their first meal from the centre will be early evening. This means that you need to bring a packed lunch from home on day one please.*

DO NOT BRING HIGH VALUE OR ELECTRICAL ITEMS (such as mobile phones, i-pads, crimping/curling tongs or iron) they may get damaged or lost.

TO TAKE PART IN ACTIVITIES No jewelry can be worn; they must wear suitable clothing - including shoulder length tops and knee length bottoms; Hair must be tied back; enclosed suitable footwear

TO ENSURE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE STAY We do not tolerate bullying and discrimination. We ask that everyone is treated with respect and that guests follow all instructions.

LOST PROPERTY MUST BE CLAIMED PROMPTLY Unclaimed items will be disposed or given to charity