PGL – Some reminders/updates

Please find outlined below, a brief reminder relating to the PGL trip (14th – 18th June).

The coach driver has requested that we leave school at 9.15am on Monday.

Children can gather in the school hall from 8.30am. From this point, we become a ‘bubble’ for the next week.

Mrs Barnes will be collecting medication at the office door on Friday 11th June – 8.30am – 9.15am and 2.30pm – 3.15pm. Due to the earlier leaving time, it would be greatly appreciated if you could also hand in spending money at this time. All money should be contained in a sealed envelope or named purse. Children can take a maximum of £25 – smaller notes and coins would be helpful.

Sleeping bags and cases/bags will be stored in the lockers under the coach. Pillows should be taken onto the coach.

Please ensure everything is clearly named.

Please hand in any last minute medications (and money if not handed in on Friday) to the staff on Monday morning – who will ensure the items are stored in the correct plastic wallet for the child.

We will be stopping for a packed lunch on the way to Southampton. A packed lunch and refillable drinks bottle should be stored in a named rucksack.

Our ferry crossing is at 2.00pm and will last approximately one hour. We will be outside for most of the ferry journey – but the children will be asked to wear a mask if they go inside the ferry to use the facilities. It may be chilly on the deck of the ferry.

We should arrive at PGL by about 3.30pm.

Whilst at PGL, the children will stay in log cabins. The cabins are of varying size – but all have their own bathroom facilities.

Please be aware – there will be a lot of children staying at Little Canada at the same time as our group. The children will be expected to remain with their ‘bubble’ during their stay.

Although the weather looks fine, it is likely to be colder than here in the Forest of Dean. Please make sure your child has appropriate clothing. It can be chilly along the coast

Tuesday’s trip to Osborne House involves a reasonably long walk. There are good shopping opportunities on this day.

Wednesday – PGL activities - they will not be allowed to participate in the PGL activities if they don’t have long trousers and a long-sleeved top.

Thursday – Blackgang Chine – a more relaxed day for the children. Another day where there is an opportunity to buy souvenirs

Children will have several opportunities to purchase snacks. They will not need any additional food. We politely request that if you feel your child needs to bring sweets with them, one small bag will suffice.

It would be a good idea to ensure children have sun lotion and hats with them for the duration.

We always suggest children have a separate plastic bag. This is useful for storing used clothes.

No electronics please and no devices that can communicate with each other.

PGL ask us not to use hairdryers on site as this can overload their systems. No straighteners either, please.

Remember your additional covid supplies – such as tissues and hand sanitizer. We will have plenty of supplies but know that some children prefer to have their own.

We will post daily updates for parents through eschools.

We are hoping for some lovely weather and know that the children will return with wonderful memories.

Let’s hope the children manage to get a good night’s sleep on Sunday night - as we know Monday will be a long day.

If you have any further questions, please contact the school office.