

20th June 2025

Dear Parent / Carer

Whitemoor Lakes Residential 8th – 12th September 2025

We would like to give you further details about the visit to Whitemoor Lakes on the 8th – 12th September 2025.

Children will need to be dropped at Whitemoor Lakes (main reception) at 11.30am on Monday 8th September. Teachers will be there to meet children. Please ensure children bring a packed lunch and a drink. The lunch/drink needs to be in disposable containers.

Children will be ready for collection from Whitemoor Lakes at 2.00pm on Friday 12th September. If you have any transport problems please speak directly to the office or class teacher.

The children will need between £3 and £5 spending money, in 50p pieces in a small, named purse/container. There is a small souvenir/tuck shop on site which will open on one of the evenings. Children should also bring along one packet of biscuits clearly labelled for their snack. They need to be handed in to teachers on arrival. These will be used mid-morning/ mid-afternoon when the children have a break between activities. Children **must** not bring any other snacks/ drinks/sweets with them.

If your child requires medicine during the week then please complete the form which is enclosed with this letter and **MUST be returned by Monday 7th July**. Medicines must be given to the class teacher, clearly labelled with the child's name. Inhalers, which the children usually carry themselves, can be the child's own responsibility – although spare inhalers to be kept with the teacher are always useful.

Parent/Carers will be contacted if we feel it is necessary to do so and we would be grateful if you would **only contact the Centre in cases of emergency**. The number is 01283 795000. News and pictures of the children will be posted on our website during the week so you will be able to see what your child is up to! We aim to do this between 6pm and 8pm each evening. Children are not allowed to take mobile phones.

A kit list is below, please be aware that your child should not take any **new** shoes or clothes as items are likely to get wet and muddy. It is most important that every single item your child brings (**even socks, pants and toothpaste!**) is clearly labelled with a waterproof pen as each year we spend a good deal of time sorting out unnamed clothes. Please could you pack with your child so they are aware of which items belong to them, where to find them in the case and how best to pack their own belongings at the end of the week.

The children are sure to have a very enjoyable and educational week. If you have any queries, then please do not hesitate to contact the office or your child's class teacher.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs G Grainger
Headteacher



Whitemoor Lakes – Kit List

****PLEASE ENSURE THAT ALL PROPERTY IS CLEARLY LABELLED****

Outdoor/Indoor/Water Activities

- At least 8/10 sets of clothes for the week (no jeans/skirts) – warm layers ideal:
 - Including 3 x plastic bags each with 1 set of clothing to get wet in! The bags will then be used to bring home the wet clothing. Drying clothing to re-use during the week unfortunately isn't an option.
 - Disco clothes (no high heels).
 - 1 x long sleeved top for Archery.
- **Must have** 3 pairs of shoes:
 - Outdoor Activities - Sensible trainers, walking boots or outdoor shoes (No wellies, "fashion" boots or crocs).
 - Indoor Activities - Sensible trainers – these cannot be the same as the outdoor activity trainers. (Crocs/sliders cannot be used for any activities although they can be used at mealtimes).
 - Wet – Old trainers or water sports shoes (No wellies or crocs) Please note these shoes will remain wet most of the week and cannot be dried in time to wear as indoor or outdoor shoes.

- Warm socks
- Warm and **waterproof** coat – *suitable for use on high rope activities so not long – needs to be useable under a harness*
- Waterproof trousers
- Extra towel for water sports
- 2 x strong waterproof bags **named**
- Hat & gloves
- Hair bobbles for long hair which **MUST** be ties back for **ALL** activities

General items

- Towel
- Wash kit (toothbrush, tooth paste, soap, flannel, shampoo, roll on deodorants only, shower gel, tissues) **NO SPRAYS OF ANY SORT ARE PERMITTED AS THEY SET OFF THE SMOKE ALARMS!**
- Sun cream / Sunhat
- Lip balm
- Insect repellent
- Pyjamas (don't forget your teddy)
- Enough underwear and socks for your stay, plus spares for when you get wet
- Water bottle – named
- Torch
- 1 packet of biscuits – named (hand in to teacher on arrival)
- £3 - £5 spending money in a named purse / container
- **Remember your packed lunch for Day 1**

A few things to remember

- Clothes may get dirty, so don't bring your best stuff
- Tracksuit bottoms/leggings are good for activities; **no** jeans and skirts
- No open-toe shoes
- No dressing gowns
- Children must be able to manage their own baggage, please make sure baggage is not too heavy / large for children to carry/wheel
- Ensure all outfits are suitable for activities wearing a harness: no crop tops or very short shorts!