

Isle of Wight 2023

A copy of this presentation will be on our school website and sent to you via Groupcall.

Please

- sign in at the back, next to your child's name and include your current mobile number and take a letter.



Outline

- Introduction
- The team
- Activities and a typical day at Little Canada
- Important information
- Return to school



Photographs

- A collection of photographs from the week will be compiled and shared via Google Classroom
- Please complete the permission slip and return before **5.10.23**
- Photographs may not be shared on any social media

The Team

- Miss James
- Mrs Holdsworth
- Miss Woodward
- Miss Wallace
- Between us, we have plenty of experience of residential visits!

Day of Departure



- Arrive at School 7:30am
- Luggage to be **clearly labelled** and brought into hall. One suitcase, a small bag for coach.
- Register with Mrs Woodward and give pocket money to Miss Wallace (bagged and labelled in new style pound coins. For fairness, a maximum of £12)
- Medicine to Mrs Holdsworth (bagged and labelled with instructions)
- Coach will arrive in time for a prompt 8:00am departure
- Please do not park in the school car park





Day of Departure

- Travel sickness tablets - if needed ensure they have been taken
- Children **must** have a packed lunch and a drink. No chocolate or fizzy drinks please!
- Lunch in hand luggage, not main suitcase!
- Ferry - 12.40pm
- Crossing approximately 1 hour - lunch will be eaten on the ferry.
- Coach to Little Canada

Journey



- Sweets allowed for the journey
- Books/magazines etc for the journey
- No electronic games, mobile phones, MP3s etc allowed. If brought, will be taken by member of staff and given back to parents on our return.

What to pack



Nothing new is needed!

What to take

- Clothing list - copies available if needed
- No hair gel/jewellery
- Only disposable cameras - clearly labelled. Staff will also take photos
- **Waterproof jacket, long sleeves and long trousers ESSENTIAL**
- No new clothes - very muddy!
- Ensure all clothes and belongings are clearly labelled!
- Water bottles
- Book
- Must be able to wheel/carry suitcase

Keeping in touch

- Groupcall messages will be sent every day. Vital we have your current mobile number. **Test message will be sent on Monday 25th September before lunchtime.** If you do not receive the Groupcall, please contact the school.
- Twitter - we will post updates via our school Twitter feed (@GiffardsPrimary).

Keeping in touch

- Please feel free to write to your children while they are away.

Your Child's name

Giffards Primary School

PGL Little Canada

New Road

Wootton Bridge

Ryde

Isle of Wight

PO33 4JP

- Children can send postcards home - please send stamps and the address with your child.

Accommodation

- Girl only/boy only chalets
- Up to 6 in a chalet.
- Beds/bunk beds
- Chalets close together in our own group
- Teacher chalets next to/opposite children's
- Chalets have showers and toilets
- Have to be kept tidy by children and will be inspected



Accommodation

- Children will make own beds!
- Keys will be children's responsibility - lost keys will have to be paid for among the cabin - £5
- Children will select 3 people they would like to share with once we know the size of the cabins, they will be guaranteed to be with at least one person they have selected. If there are any children who you would not like your child to share with, please contact Miss James by **Tuesday 19th September.**
- Won't find out who they're sharing with until arrival

Security/Safety

- Closed site - perimeter fenced
- Gate control 24 hour
- Site patrol throughout night
- Duty instructors until 10.00 pm
- Children are the teachers' responsibility in any down time
- Teachers' chalets clearly marked - if problem at night, children will know exactly where to find us
- Instructor responsible for leading all activities
- Orientation on arrival for children and teachers/strict safety talk and tour - shown meeting points and fire assembly points on arrival

Security/Safety

- All activities are strictly Risk Assessed
- All instructors qualified and trained to the national standards for the activities undertaken
- Careful nurturing approach taken - supportive, patient and encouraging staff
- Each activity assessed and log completed
- Logs held centrally in reception

Meals



- Wide choice, including vegetarian options
- Allocated seats and meal times
- Breakfast - cooked, toast, cereal, fruit
- Bread and fruit always available at lunch and dinner
- Encouraged to try foods they may not have had at home!

Typical Activities

- High wire activities, climbing, zip wire, abseiling, archery, team games, problem solving.....
- There will be a mixture of individual and team building activities
- Won't know exact activities until nearer departure



A typical day at Little Canada

- 7am wake up
 - 7.30 am Allowed out of chalets
 - 8.00 Breakfast
 - 9.00 am Activity One - Zip Wire
 - 11.00 am Activity Two - Low Ropes
 - 1.00 pm Lunch
 - 2.00 pm Activity Three - Aeroball
 - 4.00 pm Activity Four - Climbing
 - 6.30 pm Dinner
 - 7.00 pm Diaries/quiet activities
 - 7.30 pm Evening activities
 - 9.30 pm Into chalets
 - 10.00pm Lights out
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- At some point during the day, the children will have access to the gift shop.

Day of Return



- Morning activity
- Coach pick up noon - packed lunch provided by PGL
- Ferry booked for 1.40pm
- Estimated time of arrival at Giffards 4.30 - 5.00pm
- School will be updated of any significant changes and these will be passed on through Groupcall.

Code of Conduct and Behaviour

Our School Rules apply throughout the entire journey - respect, politeness, trying hard, taking care, remaining safe

Children must listen to and follow out any instruction given to them by a member of the Giffards Team or a member of the PGL Staff

Any questions??



If you think of anything, please catch me on the gate or ring/email the school office and we can arrange a time to chat.

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