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Dear Parent/Carer,

20th June 2024

Residential Visit to PGL Little Canada Monday 13th – Friday 17th October 2025

As part of our Year 6 curriculum, during the autumn term, pupils are offered the valuable opportunity to undertake a residential week on the Isle of Wight at PGL Little Canada. Year 6 children have participated in this successful week for many years. The week provides children with an opportunity to develop their independence, resilience, teamwork skills and confidence while trying new experiences in a safe environment. All of these attributes are very important as your child transitions from primary to secondary education. We have made a provisional booking for the dates Monday 13th – Friday 17th October 2025 and do not wish for any child to miss this positive experience.

We would like to invite parents/carers to an informal meeting on **Monday 8th July at 2.15pm** about the residential during October 2025, when the children will be in Year 6. The idea of the meeting is to explain why this is a valuable experience for the children, what the children will be doing while away and answer any questions you may have.

In order to help us determine costs and the number of places needed to be booked and if the trip is still viable, we are asking parents to indicate if they wish for their child to attend the PGL residential in 2025. Previously the cost has been around **£470.00** although if your child receives Free School Meals there is a discount of 45%, this amount is payable in instalments. We appreciate that at present there is no confirmation of cost and therefore we are only asking for an expression of interest, no payment is required at this stage and if the cost turns out to be prohibitive, we will understand. Please complete and return the slip below to your child’s class teacher by **Thursday 4th July**. An initial holding deposit will be required when we return to school in September in order for us to gauge interest and enable us to work out costs. We will advise you of this nearer the time. Places are limited on this trip, therefore, places will be allocated in the order in which payment is made.

Children who do not attend the residential visit will remain in school, there will be a programme of activities. These are yet to be confirmed.

There will be a meeting to give further details and discuss the visit when we are able to do so. However, if you have any questions or concerns at any point regarding the trip, please contact Miss James (visit leader) via the school office.

Yours sincerely,
Miss N.James
Assistant Headteacher

Miss N.James - Assistant Headteacher/Visit Leader, Giffards Primary School

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PGL Initial interest

I confirm that I am/am not interested in my child attending the PGL residential week.

I will/will not be attending the meeting on Monday 8th July at 2.15pm

Child’s Name Class

Parent/carer name Signature

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