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**21st to 23rd  
September**

15th October 2025

Dear Parents/ Carers,

We are now preparing for next year's Y6 three day residential. In 2026, we will be going to PGL Dearne Valley Activity Centre, at Denaby Main, Conisbrough, South Yorkshire from 21st to 23rd September 2026. We are very fortunate to have secured a booking as it is an extremely popular venue with school groups.

For parents who are new to PGL, they are a leading residential activity centre provider operating for over 60 years, responsible for delivering safe and rewarding educational programmes to over 4,000 schools every year. By combining many National Curriculum-linked modules with thrilling outdoor and indoor adventure activities, this trip is sure to provide your child with a wealth of new experiences outside of the classroom while developing key learning outcomes. We will be taking part in the Adventure programme. *For more details of the residential please see the website link: [PGL Parent Guide](#)*

Residential courses organised by the school are, of course, an optional but invaluable part of the National Curriculum. Pupils benefit hugely from the experience, both educationally and socially and I feel certain that the Adventure programme, which we have chosen this year, will prove to be both enjoyable and very worthwhile.

The approximate cost is £273 per pupil which includes return travel by coach, full board, accommodation and a full programme of activities. **Please complete and return the electronic consent form to indicate whether your child wishes to attend by 9am Monday 10th November 2025.**

**Consent form link: [Dearne Valley Residential Consent](#)**

If your child is attending please pay:

- a non-refundable deposit of £48 by 9am Monday 10th November 2025

- a further non-refundable payment of £120 by Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026
- the outstanding, non-refundable balance of £105 by Monday 20<sup>th</sup> July 2026

All payments are non-refundable. The easiest way to pay is via your ParentPay account, where you will be able to see a full statement of payments made. Alternatively, you could pay by cheque (cheques payable to 'Wigginton Primary School'). Any cheques sent into school must be in an envelope clearly marked with your child's name, class and 'Kingswood 2026'. Please be aware we no longer accept cash payments in school.

Information on applying for financial support for residential trips can be found attached.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to come in and see me. You will also find attached a guide to the activities we will be taking part in.

Further copies of these documents can be found on the school website: [Year 6 Dearne Valley Residential 2026](#)

We will be arranging a parents evening closer to the trip to present to you in more detail the exciting range of activities available at our destination of choice. In the meantime if you wish to find out more about the ethos of PGL, their programmes and safety information, please visit [School and Group Trips | PGL Travel Group](#)

Yours sincerely,

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### **Support for Residential Trips**

As a school, we believe that every child should have the opportunity to experience a residential trip and that children benefit enormously from such experiences. We try our utmost to keep costs to a minimum and the charge is the actual cost per child, there is no profit for the school and any shortfall is met from the general school budget. Even so, we recognise that the costs can prove a burden to some families and there are a number of ways in which we can try and offer support.

#### **Accessing external funding**

Wigginton Parish Council has a charities fund, specifically to support Wigginton residents. They can only accept requests from individual families (ie The school cannot apply on your behalf) but traditionally have been very happy to support such requests. You put your request in writing and address it to the Wigginton Parish Charities Fund. (If you drop the letter into the school office, we would be more than happy to pass it on) The Charities committee is a small committee of 3 and all names and letters are kept entirely confidential.

#### **Cost Reductions.**

As a school, and in line with Government guidelines, we have a formal Charging and Remissions policy (please see the school website) which outlines eligibility criteria for a reduction in costs. However we also recognise that there can be a number of families who do not fulfil the criteria but would still find the full costs a burden. In these instances we would try to offer a small discount. For audit and budget purposes we ask that you make a formal request using the school form. A copy of the form can be collected from the school office.

As always, should you have any questions please come in and see me.

Yours sincerely

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