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Dear Parents

We have been considering for several months how to deliver the school residential trips. We have come to the conclusion that with the current rolling programme we will work them as follows:

Year 3 and 4 jointly – will attend Oxenwood Outdoor Education Centre for three days/two nights

Year 5 and 6 jointly – will attend Morfa Bay for five days/four nights

The trips will run alternate years so:

June 2017 – Year 3/4

June 2018 – Year 5/6

I recently attended Oxenwood (more recently than when I stayed as a child!) and was impressed by the size (Oxenwood used to be an old school so about twice the size of ours), the homely ethos and the flexibility to fit our small numbers. We are currently sorting out all the H&S checks and final costings prior to a full discussion with our Governors. Once all has been put in place we will invite you to a short meeting to go through what the children will get up to and show you various pieces of information from my visit.

Oxenwood is used by many schools in Swindon for a local residential that is not too far away (just 40mins). For some children this will be their first (very big!) step towards a residential trip, Oxenwood has impressive feedback.

If you wish to look further prior you can find their website: <http://www.oxenwoodcentre.co.uk/>

Residential trips are not compulsory but we do feel that the wealth of both social and academic skills that the children gain, make them a valuable part of their learning . . . as well as creating wonderful memories for them!

I wished to make you aware of this upcoming opportunity, any feedback that you have prior to the final decision is always warmly welcomed.

Best Regards

Miss Lindsay and Mr Anley



Headteacher Miss Emma Lindsay

