



Dear Parent,

As you will be aware, one of the many highlights of your child's time with us at Frome Valley is the Year 4 residential visit. This year, your child will have the opportunity to visit Hooke Court, near Beaminster. We have visited Hooke Court for the past five years and have had a fantastic experience.

At Hooke Court, the children will be taking part in a number of activities such as low ropes and orienteering. It is a very well run centre with good accommodation facilities. Further details of the centre can be found at www.hookecourt.co.uk. The experience of a residential is a really important part of school life, offering the children opportunities for personal growth as well as providing positive memories.

Our Year 4 residential to Hooke Court this year will be from **Wednesday 22nd – Friday 24th April 2020**. We will be at Hooke Court at the same time as all the first schools that feed into St Mary's Middle School so it will be a great opportunity for all the Year 4 children to meet.

The cost of visiting Hooke is **£160.00** per child. To secure a place, an initial deposit of **£30** is required by **9th December 2019**. To support you in funding the visit, we are letting you know the price now to help spread the cost. If parents would like a payment card please ask for one at the school office. There are just over 21 school weeks before the trip which equates to a weekly payment of £8.00 or a monthly one of £27.

If you are in receipt of 'Pupil Premium' and would like to use your £100 allowance towards the cost of the trip, please tick the option on the permission form below

We want every child to join in the visit and do not want finance to be a barrier. We have been given information on 'The Bridge Educational Trust' who may be able to help towards the cost of the trip. 'The Bridge Educational Trust' provides grants each year for educational visits to residents of Dorset and have helped parents from other schools locally in previous years. The application process is a simple online form via their website <https://www.bridgeeducationaltrust.org.uk/> However, to secure any possible grant, parents need to apply by the 26th October. If we can help in anyway with any application or you would like further information please speak to the office or Ms Thorp as soon as possible.

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We will have a meeting on **Wednesday 4th December at 3.20pm** to go through the arrangements for the visit and to answer any concerns or queries. In the meantime, we would be grateful if you could return the attached slip to confirm your child's attendance on our visit to Hooke Court along with the £30 deposit.

We are really looking forward to this year's residential visit and hope that your child is looking forward to it too.

I confirm that I give permission for my child _____

to take part in the Year 4 residential visit to Hooke Court from **22nd – 24th April 2020**

I enclose a deposit of £30

I wish to use my £100 Pupil Premium Allowance towards the cost of visit

Signed _____