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Dear Parent / Guardian,

We are very excited to be launching our residential visit to Entrust Outdoors' Wilderness Academy centre, for a **3-day (2-night)** adventure **beginning 27th June 2022**. There are many recognised benefits to be gained from engaging in residential, outdoor learning visits. These include personal and social development, where independence, teamwork, confidence and self-esteem can be raised and strengthened through fun and challenging group activities, often in new and natural surroundings. Many of these benefits can be transferred back to the classroom and beyond where they can have real and lasting impact. Working in teams, your child will participate in a number of adventurous activities and sleep in tents with friends, and with school staff close by. The sample programme below gives you an idea of what your child will be getting up to.

We also suggest you take a look at the short Entrust film available on their website at:

<https://www.entrustoutdoors.co.uk/why-choose-entrust>.

Day 1	Day 2	Day 3
Arrival and welcome Site brief and tent allocation Icebreakers and energisers Firelighting techniques Lunch Shelter building Teambuilding tasks Settling into camp Evening meal Woodland games Bedtime	Breakfast Forest trek, including: an introduction to navigation, first aid, the Countryside Code, discussions on conservation and health and fitness, lunch, Scavenger Hunt, campcraft skills and Search + Rescue exercise Evening meal Campfire session and team quiz Bedtime	Breakfast Tracking skills Water purification techniques Bushtucker cooking Lunch Orienteering Pack up camp Review and conclusion Depart

The **total cost of the visit is £135 per child**, which includes transport, meals, activities and accommodation. We are confident that this will be a truly memorable and valuable experience for your child and a great opportunity for all our children in Year 6 to enjoy an adventure together, creating and sharing memories that can last a lifetime. We wanted to give you plenty of notice so you can plan and budget for your child's visit. We have been able to reserve enough spaces for all pupils. We do, however need to confirm accurate attendance over the coming weeks to finalise

our booking. To ensure your child can participate and that the visit can go ahead, we are asking for some commitment from you now and ask for an **initial deposit of £40.50** to secure your child's place. Please pay your deposit using MCAS by **30th November 2021**. A meeting will take place in school during December for parents, which will go into more detail about the residential. In the meantime, if you have any concerns or would like further information, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully,

Miss Hayden

Featherstone Academy

Pupil Name _____ Class _____

I hereby give permission for my child to attend the **3-day (2-night) adventure beginning 27th June 2022 at** Entrust Outdoors' Wilderness Academy Centre.

I understand that the total cost of the trip is £135 of which a deposit of £40.50 (deposit will not be refundable) will secure my child's place. The deposit needs to be paid by 30th November 2021

This can be paid via My Child At School (Bromcom) from Wednesday 10th November 2021 at 4:00pm.

Signed: _____ (person with parental responsibility)

Print Name _____