



# Gusford Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

In order to support and develop the PSHE/P.E. curriculum we have arranged for the Year 6 children to attend a **'Challenge Day' at Thetford Forest on Wednesday, June 7<sup>th</sup>**. The activities will be based at the 'High Lodge Forest Centre' where we will lead the children in team building exercises, such as shelter building and rope challenges. We will also take them on an orienteering trail through the forest.

We will be leaving school at 8.30am and should return to Gusford by 4.45 p.m. The children will need to wear clothes suitable for outdoor activities (they are likely to get dirty) i.e. trainers/comfortable shoes and a waterproof coat (we will be outside all day whatever the weather!) Due to the presence of forest ticks, the children are advised to wear long trousers tucked into socks and long-sleeved tops (an information leaflet about this can be read on-line). They will also need a packed lunch (no glass bottles please). In addition, the children may bring a maximum of £4 spending money.

To cover the cost of the trip we are requesting a voluntary contribution of £10.00. We will not exclude any pupil whose parent/carer is unable or unwilling to contribute, however, we are sure you appreciate that trips cannot go ahead without your support.

If your child receives free school meals the school can, upon request, provide them with a packed lunch and a small drink. Please advise the school office by Wednesday, May 24<sup>th</sup> if your child requires a packed lunch.

If you are in agreement to your child attending, please pay via Parentmail by **Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>**. If you are able to help out on the day, and you are DBS checked, please let your child's class teacher know. We would be grateful for any help!

The above trip will be part of a Year 6 initiative known as **'Enterprise Week'**. The objective behind the week is to develop team work and problem-solving skills. It will also aim to give children experience of working in unfamiliar groups in preparation for high school. The children will be organised across the Year Group into various teams which will work together throughout the week on a 'Dragon's Den' type challenge.

As it is a special (and mainly practical) week the children are permitted to wear their own clothes for the week. We would like to emphasise that clothes and footwear should be practical.

Yours sincerely,

Ms. Headlam

