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Dear Families,

RE: Dukes Barn Residential – 23rd – 25th March 2027

We are very excited to be planning a three-day (two-night) residential visit to Dukes Barn, set on the outskirts of the beautiful Chatsworth Estate in Derbyshire. This trip is open to all children in Years 3 and 4, and we would love as many children as possible to join us.

Dukes Barn provides an incredible opportunity for children to experience adventurous outdoor activities in a safe and supportive environment. The centre has a long-standing partnership with our school and is well known for its family feel, excellent accommodation, and delicious home-cooked meals that keep everyone well-fuelled after busy, active days.

All activities are led by experienced, fully qualified instructors, and safety is always the top priority. Closer to the trip, we will provide a detailed itinerary and list of activities, but you can expect a wide range of fun and challenging experiences that help to build confidence, teamwork, and resilience.

The total cost of the trip is **£234 per child**, which includes all instruction, travel, meals, and accommodation. Full payment is due by **Thursday 11th March 2027**.

To reserve your child's place, a £50 deposit must be paid via ParentPay by **Friday 23rd October 2026**. The remaining balance can then be paid in instalments on 27th November 2026, 29th January 2027, 26th February, and 11th March 2027.

We must have at least 20 pupils signed up in order for the trip to go ahead. If the trip does not go ahead, deposits will of course be refunded.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch on the first day of the trip. If your child is entitled to free school meals and you would like the school to provide a basic packed lunch, please inform the school office by **Thursday 11th March 2027**.

In the lead-up to the trip, we will be talking with the children about the importance of safety, teamwork, and showing their best behaviour, both in school and during our time away. These values help make the experience enjoyable and memorable for everyone. We want every child to have the opportunity to join us, but if we have any concerns about a child's behaviour and how it might affect their own safety or the enjoyment of others, we may need to review their place on the trip.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Mrs Hughes.

Many thanks for your continued support.

Mrs Sarah Hughes
Headteacher

