



SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

# The Federation of Abbey Infant and Junior School

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Monday 16<sup>th</sup> October 2023

Dear Parent and Carers

## Plas Gwynant Residential – Monday 6<sup>th</sup> to Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November 2023

As the trip to Plas Gwynant is almost upon us, and the excitement is mounting amongst the pupils (and staff), here are few items of essential information:

Children should bring their suitcases into the main hall at normal school opening time on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November 2023

The coach is expected to leave at around 9.30am.

A packed lunch is required for the journey which the children will take on the coach. This should be in a separate bag and in a lunch box (the lunch box will be essential throughout the week). Children will not be allowed to eat or drink on the coach – but there will be a stop, half way through the journey.

If your child requires travel-sickness medication, please come into the school office prior to the visit to complete a permission form, and then send the medication in a clearly labelled bag on the day of the trip to the school office.

Unfortunately, we are unable to take any other medication **unless it has been prescribed**. If your child does have prescribed medication, please complete a care plan prior to the visit at the school office. This will need to be completed by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

Please remember to check the Plas Gwynant kit list, and note that **Plas Gwynant will supply waterproof trousers and coat, a fleece, wellingtons, a ruck sack and a water bottle to every pupil**. One essential item that is often overlooked is a black bin-bag or two - these are great for dirty laundry or to bring any wet clothes home on the last day.

You can find the kit list here: <https://www.abbeyfederation.co.uk/plas-gwynant-2023/>

**Electronic items should not be brought on the trip.** We do not want expensive gadgets to get lost or damaged. The Plas Gwynant kit list suggests an mp3 player as an option but please **do not** send one with your child. Abbey staff will organise primary-age appropriate music to be played in the games room at the centre. Also, there is literally no mobile phone signal at Plas Gwynant so please **do not** send children on the trip with mobile phones.

We will take photographs throughout the week and will do our best to post them on the Abbey Federation website every night. It may be late when we post them, but we will endeavour to do so every day.

You'll find them here: <http://www.abbeyfederation.co.uk> > children > class-pages > Plas Gwynant 2023  
(a copy of this letter will also be there, just in case!)

We expect to be back at school by 3.30pm on the Friday afternoon. This is obviously subject to Friday afternoon traffic on the M6 and M5. The school office will send out a text message should there be a significant change to our arrival time.

Yours sincerely

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Executive Head Teacher's PA

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