



SANDWELL METROPOLITAN BOROUGH COUNCIL

The Federation of Abbey Infant and Junior School

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Friday 20th September 2024

Dear Parent / Carers

Plas Gwynant Residential – Monday 4th November 2024 – Friday 8th November 2024

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 4th November 2024
- 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.
- 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 11th October 2024.
- 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 life-savers if there are any wet clothes on the last day, and are great just for stuffing dirty laundry in to.
- **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.

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- 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: > children > class-pages > Plas Gwynant 2024

<https://abbeyfederation.ovw5.juniperwebsites.co.uk/topic/class-pages>

(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.
- **Spending Money**

It is recommended that the children take the sum of £10.00 for the duration of the visit to spend daily on tuck and souvenirs, please send in **coins** in a sealed envelope, clearly stating your child's name by **Friday 27th September 2024**.

Please return all forms and spending money by Friday 27th September 2024

Yours sincerely

Ms. S M Collins
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Executive Head Teacher's PA

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