

All Saints' C of E (VC) Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers

Initial Hilltop Residential Trip Meeting for Year 5 Parents - Tuesday 24th June 2025 at 3.30pm

An initial meeting for parents and children will take place on Tuesday 24th June at 3.30pm in the School Hall. Here you will be given details of the trip, see more about the Hilltop Centre and see what the children can expect. There will also be an opportunity to ask questions and children are encouraged to attend with you. Some of our Year 6 pupils who attended Hilltop this month will also be there to tell you about their experiences and answer questions.

I have also noted some key elements the centre offers overleaf including details of their website which I encourage you and your child to read. There will be additional parent meetings later in the school year to start the process of sharing information and building excitement for pupils.

To help with your financial planning and after listening to parents' feedback, we have created a suggested payment schedule which is also attached to this letter. This means you will be able to spread the cost over a longer period of time. The total cost of the trip is **£529.00**. We will require a **non-refundable deposit of £135.00** to secure a place for your child on the trip. This non-refundable deposit will be essential in confirming our booking and allowing us to move forward with planning the itinerary. **It must be paid no later than 30th June 2025.**

All payments should be made using the School Gateway App (instructions to download and use can be requested from the school office).

I look forward to seeing lots of you next Tuesday, 24th June.

Best wishes,

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Mr Cairey
KS2 Phase Leader



Dates: 8th – 12th June 2026 Venue: Hilltop Outdoor Development Centre, Norfolk.

We are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity to our Year 5 pupils (who will be in Year 6) to take part in a week-long residential trip from Monday 8th June 2026 until Friday 12th June 2026.

Hilltop is a purpose built centre with a large site surrounding accommodation buildings. It has fully trained instructors who will lead the groups of 1:8 for activities and 1:15 for studies. For further information please visit <https://www.hilltopoutdoorcentre.co.uk>

Each day there will be 3 activities, morning, afternoon and evening, though sometimes these sessions are further split, for example: a morning session of Archery and Crate Stacking. In addition there are facilities available for recreation times whether wet or dry: swimming pool, games room, T.V. room and quiet room. A balanced mixture of activities will be included during the week. These may include:

The Adventure activities will be selected by staff from a range including the following: Airjump All Terrain Bikes Archery Assault Courses High Rope Courses Big Zipper Aerial Runaway Climbing Abseiling Team Work Problems Tree Top Trail Crate Stacking Super Swing Caving Power fan	The Study Activities will be selected by staff from a range including the following: Woodlands Freshwater/Ponds Rivers Coastal Erosion Flooding/Protection Longshore Drift Offshore Reefs Seashore Life
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Joining instructors leading the activities at Hilltop, members of All Saints' staff will accompany each group.

The total cost of this trip will be £529.00.

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Suggested Payment Schedule

All payments to be made using the School Gateway app.

Amount	Payment for:	DUE DATE
£135.00	Non-refundable deposit	30th June 2025
£250.00	Further installment	31st December 2025
£144.00	FINAL REMAINING BALANCE	27th March 2026

You may pay in smaller monthly or weekly increments than the totals listed above, but **each due-date is the latest that the total amount required MUST be paid.** If you have any queries about the payments please discuss them with Mrs Hower, the School Business Manager.