

Ellington Primary School



26th January 2022

Rock UK Whithaugh Park 22nd – 24th June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers of Year 4 Children,

This current academic year we are planning to take the children in Year 4 to Rock UK Whithaugh Park on a 3-day residential visit. This is a fantastic opportunity for the children to stay at the adventure park situated on the Scottish Borders which is equipped with a host of exciting and high-adrenaline activities. The visit to Whithaugh Park will take place Wednesday 22nd June to Friday 24th June 2022.

The activities will include: -

- 1. Canoeing
- 2. Zip Wire
- 3. High Ropes
- 4. Inflatables
- 5. Gorge Walk
- 6. Slacklining
- 7. Wide Games
- 8. Swim Session

The children will be accompanied on the visit by male and female members of staff, who will also be supported by a team of instructors who work at Whithaugh Park to supervise activities.

The aims of the visit are to offer the children experiences which will encourage team building and social skills and learn a selection of new physical activities. The children will become more independent and confident, developing personal skills in an environment which is both safe and stimulating. The children will of course be harnessed for all adventurous activities and will be supervised by experienced activity leaders to ensure their enjoyment and safety.

Please see the Rock UK website for further information:

https://rockuk.org/centres/whithaugh-park/

For the visit the children will need: -

- 1. toothpaste
- 2. toothbrush
- 3. soap/shampoo
- 4. towels (2)
- 5. brush/comb/hair ties
- 6. underwear (including spares)
- 7. night-clothes/PJs



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For the visit the children will need (cont.): -

- 8. t-shirts/shirts
- 9. jumpers/hoodies
- 10. joggers/tracksuit bottoms/leggings
- 11. waterproof coat
- 12. comfortable walking shoes/trainers for outdoors
- 13. sand shoes/trainers for indoors
- 14. swimming costume/trunks

*It is not necessary to buy new clothes for the visit. Older, practical clothes are the best.

We will leave school by coach at approximately 1pm on Wednesday 22nd June but the children should come to school for 9.00am as normal, dressed in clothes ready for WhithaughPark (no school uniform) and take their bags to the hall before going to their classroom to register. A school dinner or packed lunch will need to be ordered/provided for the children to have before departure. We will return to school at approximately 12.30pm on Friday 24th June, a packed lunch will be provided by Rock UK on this day. Children should be collected as normal at the end of the school day.

The children will not be allowed to phone home but in an emergency, you can contact Whithaugh Park on tel:01387375394. Mobile phones and other electrical devices should not be taken.

The children may bring a small amount of pocket money for the souvenir / tuck shop, but this is not essential. Suggested amount of between £5.00 & £10.00.

The children will be informed about their sleeping arrangements before the visit.

The cost of the trip will be £180.00. This includes accommodation, which is full board, all activities and transport. This trip is being subsidised through our PE Grant. Please return the reply slip attached with a deposit of £40.00 (**this can be paid via School Grid which is preferable, please note charges will be uploaded on receipt of the reply slip)** no later than Monday 7th February. The balance of £140.00 is due by Friday 6th May 2022. Payments can be made at any time via School Grid.

I hope that the above information will enable you to decide whether or not you would like your child to attend the visit to Whithaugh Park, and we hope that all the children will. Please contact me for any further information that you may require.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Hodgson Headteacher



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Reply Slip

Rock UK Whithaugh Park Visit

Name of pupil.....

Class.....Year 4

I give permission for my son/daughter to take part in the proposed Rock UK Whithaugh Park visit on the 22nd to 24th June 2022.

I enclose a deposit of £40.00 or I wish to pay this via School Grid

I enclose full payment of £180.00 or I wish to pay this via School Grid

(Please delete where necessary.)

Charges will be uploaded onto School Grid once we are in receipt of the reply slip

Signed...... (Parent/Carer)

Date.....

Please return by Monday 7th February at the latest.

We will retain this sheet in school to record payments.

For Office Use Only:	
Payment Reccash/chq	Date Signed