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## Year 6 Residential Trip to Ilam Hall in the Peak District – Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 8<sup>th</sup> July

Dear Parents/Carers,

Now that the SATs are out of the way, our attentions turn to the rest of the summer term and the other events that are coming up. We obviously have our Year 6 camp on the school field on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May but of course we also have the Ilam Hall residential and for those children not attending Ilam, Southend Week.

This morning, I spoke with the children about Ilam Hall and gave them a few more details about what to expect. I visited Ilam Hall and the surrounding area over the Easter break and was able to share with the children my experience. It really will be a fantastic trip! I am pleased to share that Mrs. Dyer, Miss Gibbons, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Brady and Mrs. Monk will be the staff accompanying me on the visit.

Our itinerary is shown in the table below. On the Monday morning we will leave school at 8:15am. The journey to Ilam will take us approximately 4 ½ to 5 hours but will include a stop at a service station. Once at Ilam Hall we will explore the local dale of Dovedale and walk up Thorpe Cloud which is a large hill nearby. Tuesday will see us visiting the Treak Cliff Caverns in Castleton and enjoying the nearby walk up the hill of Mam Tor. Wednesday is cycling on the Tissington Trail and a visit to the amazing Chatsworth House. Thursday is... Alton Towers... And on Friday, before we embark on the coach trip home, we will stretch our legs with a final walk near to the hostel. A very action packed five days!

| Updated 13/5/22                   |   | Activities   |
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| Monday<br>4 <sup>th</sup> July    |  | Outward Journey to Ilam Hall<br>Leave school at 8:15am |
|                                   |   | Dovedale & Thorpe Cloud                                |
| Tuesday<br>5 <sup>th</sup> July   |  | Treak Cliff Cavern                                     |
|                                   |   | Mam Tor  |
| Wednesday<br>6 <sup>th</sup> July |  | Tissington Trail                                       |
|                                   |   | Chatsworth   |
| Thursday<br>7 <sup>th</sup> July  |  | Alton Towers   |
| Friday<br>8 <sup>th</sup> July    |  | Local Walk<br>Leave Ilam Hall at 12:15pm               |

One thing I did talk to the children about this morning is the amount of walking that we will be doing. I recommended to them that over the next seven weeks they build up their walking endurance. Although we will have breaks, the walks of Thorpe Cloud and Mam Tor will take several hours. Perhaps everyone should start doing regular laps of Shoebury Park in preparation 😊

Please do make sure that you have the Ilam Hall parent and carer meeting on Tuesday 24th May in your diaries. We will provide lots more information and answer any questions you may have at the meeting. The meeting will be straight after school at 3:20pm and should last approximately half an hour. After collecting your child, we will ask you to head to the KS2 Hall. Should you not be able to attend and you have questions, please email [year6@friars.southend.sch.uk](mailto:year6@friars.southend.sch.uk). Rest assured that there will be a final letter shared after the meeting that will give information about lots of different things such as meals, sleeping arrangements and what the children should bring with them.

As we have said from the start, only children who demonstrate safe and responsible behaviour can take part and places on this trip continue to be dependent on their sensible attitude and conduct in school.

As a reminder the final instalment of £85 is due by Friday 3rd June. The money you will have paid covers everything across the five days, although the children can bring up to £25 spending money with them as they will have opportunities to buy souvenirs etc. from gift shops.

Yours sincerely,

*C. McClay*

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Principal