

# Riddings Junior School

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Dear Parents / Carers

At the end of September, we are delighted to offer your child the opportunity to participate in a full day and evening of outdoor activities held within the school grounds. Following the activities, the children will experience a residential stay by having a sleepover in the school building. They will then enjoy breakfast together the following morning before heading home (probably ready for a well-earned sleep!).

We are planning to hold the **Riddings Residential on Friday 25th September**, providing a fantastic start to Year 4.

The activities are outlined overleaf. All outdoor activities will be led by highly qualified and experienced instructors from Acclimbatize**,** an Adventure Training Team based in Matlock with whom we have worked successfully in the past. School staff will also support the activities, lead the evening programme and sleepover, and provide breakfast on Saturday morning.

The cost of the residential, which includes all activities, Acclimbatize staff, an evening meal, breakfast, and school staff supervision (not forgetting an evening of childcare 😊), will be £42.00.

Whilst we feel that the overnight stay is a key part of the experience, if this element presents a barrier to your child's participation, please contact us as alternative arrangements may be possible.

Payments can be made via Arbor. We kindly request that the full payment of £42.00**,** along with the completed consent form, is received by Friday 18th September. However, payments can be made from today, and you are welcome to pay in advance or in instalments if preferred.

As always, we would love all children to be able to participate in what promises to be an exciting and memorable event. If the cost causes any concerns, please speak in confidence to a member of the school office team.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours Sincerely

G. Newman.

Headteacher

**Chief Executive – Mr M Crawford**
**National Leader of Education**

EMBARK Federation

## Riddings Residential – Proposed Programme

### Friday Morning

Arrive at school as usual. In the morning - all children will experience:

- Climbing Wall
- Archery
- Team Building Activities

Lunch will be a packed lunch picnic provided by parents / carers or on request by the kitchen if eligible for free school meals.

### Friday Afternoon

- Tree Climbing
- Bush Craft 1 (Shelter Building)
- Bush Craft 2 (Fire making – flint and steel)
- Outside Cooking – pancakes
- Scavenger Hunt and Night Line

### Evening Activities

- Tea (Sausages, chips and beans or vegetarian option)
- DVD and popcorn
- Night walk around the buildings and grounds
- Supper
- Sleep – hopefully!

### Saturday Morning

- Breakfast
- Collection – 9:30am

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## Parent/Carer Consent Form

□ I give permission for my child to take part in the Year 4 ‘Riddings Residential’ and agree to pay £42.00 by Friday 18nd September 2026.

□ Please provide a free school meal packed lunch (if your child is entitled)

Child’s Name:_____

Parents Signature: _____

Date:_____