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Thursday 1st February 2024

Year Four 11B411 Sleeping Under the Stars
Friday, 22nd March 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

As part of our 11B411 programme, we are inviting Year Four to take part in the 'Sleeping Under the Stars' experience. We hope that this opportunity will allow children to learn about different constellations and the children's place in the universe, whilst also developing their resilience as they stay away from home for a night.



This experience will be taking place on **Friday, 22nd March 2024** at the school. On this day, the children will go home at the usual time but will need to return at **6:30pm**.

Throughout the evening, we are planning a range of activities and events for the children, including:

- Indoor and outdoor games;
- Watching a movie (age appropriate of course!)
- Stargazing activities

During the evening, we will be providing the children with pizza, drinks and even hot chocolate before bed! We will cater for the dietary requirements of pupils listed on our system at school, such as halal, vegetarian and any intolerances.

Whilst the school will be providing food and activities for the children, the children will need to bring the following:

- Change of clothes (for the next day)
- Water bottle
- Warm Coat
- Durable footwear (for going outside on the field, potentially muddy)
- Sleeping bag
- Pyjamas
- Pillow
- Sleeping mat or yoga mat (we have a limited number of PE mats to use)
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- One small cuddly toy (optional)
- Book (optional)

If children would like to bring some sweets/treats with them for the evening, for example whilst watching a film or as an after-dinner treat, then please send your child in with a **small** bag of goodies – however, please be mindful that anything sent in **cannot** contain nuts, and please consider quantity carefully. We'd rather not have to call you up if your child is sick!

Children will be sleeping in the main hall, with boys and girls sleeping in different areas to ensure privacy and the safeguarding of all children. Staff will remain with the children throughout the evening and night, and there will always be two adults 'on duty', should the children need anything throughout the night.

We are also providing breakfast for the children on the Saturday morning (23rd March 2024) before they leave, and this will consist of a range of cereals and juices. Parents/carers will need to collect their child from the school at **8.00am**.

If your child requires any medication specific to the event that cannot be administered at home (i.e., anti-sickness or hay fever medication), please be aware that you are required to complete the relevant paperwork ahead of the event. Please contact Miss. Eaver for further information regarding this as we cannot accept medication when it is handed straight to a member of staff. We must have the relevant paperwork in place.

We are asking for a voluntary contribution towards the cost of the experience, which will be £7.00. This includes the cost of food and activities for the event. Please make payment via Arbor and complete this [form](#) to indicate if your child would like to attend by **3.30pm on Friday 8th March**.

Please be aware that insufficient contributions may mean that we need to cancel this event. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium, the school will fund the cost of the experience for your child. However, If you are experiencing difficulties meeting this payment, then please contact the office team to discuss.

Thank you for your continued support and if you have any further questions about the experience, please do come and speak to us.

Yours faithfully,



Mrs. Colby, Miss. Riley and Miss. South