

Year 4 Residential Camp



Where and When?

- Magdalen Farm, Winsham, Chard, Somerset
- Wednesday 17th July Friday 19th July 2024











WHY?

- It's an excellent learning environment outside the usual norm of the classroom and school day
- It directly links to our Mission
- It teaches everyone the value of nature, sustainable development and the love of the great outdoors
- It teaches and encourages independence, self-belief and confidence
- It prepares children for future residential experiences
- It gives you a break from your kids!





Day 1

Brentry Primary School 17/07/2024 - 19/07/2024 Timings may be subject to change



Time	17/07/24
13:00	Arrive, Introduction & Safety Talk On your arrival, we will discuss health and safety at the farm.
13:15	Lunch
13:45	Unpack Bags Into Bedrooms Time to take your bags to your bedroom, and find the items you will need for your first activities.
14:15	Orienteering Challenge Use a map or compasses to navigate your way around the farm to discover information about local wildlife.
15:30	Team Building - Together We Stand, Divided We Fall Through a series of fun and imaginative challenges, teams will experience a variety of problems to solve.
17:00	Settling In Time Time to settle into your new surroundings and complete any preparation for the remainder of your visit.
18:00	Dinner
19:00	Fire Lighting Challenge Use a flint and steel to light and sustain a fire.
20:00	Magdalen Staff Depart







Day 2

Time	18/07/24
08:00	Breakfast
09:00	Farm Jobs - Chickens Meet our chickens and help with valuable dav-to-dav iobs.
10:15	Hands on Farming Take part in essential animal care and horticultural jobs, and learn about organic farming practices.
13:00	Lunch
14:00	Surprise Your Senses A series of activities designed to stimulate the senses and help visitors to explore the environment in inventive and interactive ways.
15:00	Low Ropes Challenge Work together as a team to tackle a series of challenges no more than one metre from the ground.
17:00	Free Time (and optional Souvenir Shop) Magdalen staff will explain the available options. If you want to bring your own activities, please do so. If your group would like the Souvenir Shop (selling a range of keyrings, magnets, pencils etc) then please let your Magdalen leade know.
17:55	Magdalen Staff Depart
18:00	Dinner
19:00	Night Walk / Bat Walk Experience our rural farm setting by night, and if the season is correct listen





Day 3

Time	19/07/24
08:00	Breakfast
08:45	Packing Bags All bedrooms must be empty before you begin your first activity.
09:15	Nature's Art Use natural materials from the land to create unique mementos.
10:30	Eco cooking (snack) Pizza and blender bikes
12:00	Lunch

Organising the Children

SLEEPING ARRANGEMENTS

- Children are split into girl dorms and boy dorms
 - These are prearranged with the children before we go – we may not announce them until we get there
 - Adults have separate dorms. One next to the boys and one next to the girls

WORKING GROUPS

- Each adult has a team of 6-7 children.
- The adult is responsible for their group when working in groups
- An element of competitiveness is added to be the overall winning team at the end of the week

Rewards & Sanctions

REWARDS

- Team Points
- Camp Champs –
 certificates awarded at
 the closing ceremony
 for hard work and
 enthusiasm
- Camp King and Queen

SANCTIONS

- Loss of team points
- Restricted participation in activities
- Phone call home
- Sent home!

Extra Information

- SPENDING MONEY –The children will not need any spending money.
- MEDICAL & DIETARY NEEDS A medical form has been sent to you which MUST be completed.
- MEDICINES need to be clearly labelled with child's name and given to Mrs Collins on the morning of departure. An Administration on Medication form must be completed.
- If your child has asthma, a named, spare inhaler is a good idea.
- CAMERAS No need. We will take lots of photos.
 Keep an eye of Facebook

Kit List

Magdalen Residential Visit Kit List

- · A packed lunch for arrival
- A good, warm, waterproof jacket*
- Waterproof over trousers**
- Wellington boots with thick socks***
- Water bottle labelled with child's name
- Warm hat
- 3-4 pairs of trousers (not jeans ideally)
- 3-4 t-shirts/ long sleeve shirts
- 2-3 jumpers/fleeces
- Plenty of socks (including a long thick pair to wear with Wellingtons)
- Underwear
- Pyjamas
- Small backpack (for packed lunch, clip boards etc)
- Outdoor shoes such as trainers or walking boots*** (designated to only be worn outside the building)
- Indoor shoes such as slippers or trainers (designated to only be worn inside the building)
- Trainers or shoes to wear on the coach
- 2 towels and a wash kit, including toothbrush
- Sun cream and sun hat
- Torch and spare batteries
- . A game or book for quiet time e.g. top trumps (nothing valuable like PSPs though please)
- · Three bin bags to take home dirty laundry, muddy waterproofs and muddy wellies
- Teddy bear!

*Waterproof jackets should be large enough to fit comfortably over several layers, and waterproof over trousers need to be able to fit over Wellingtons

** Waterproof over trousers can be bought from several high street camping shops such as Millets and Blacks. They are generally reasonably priced around £10 and along with a waterproof jacket will be one of the most important pieces of kit your child will need at Magdalen. Please ensure your child has a pair of over trousers with their name written inside them.

***All footwear must be well walked-in before your child comes to Magdalen.

Bedding is provided by the Magdalen Centre.

NB

- Pupils are NOT allowed to bring mobile phones
- Jewellery, electronic toys and valuables should be avoided
- Please ensure all items brought to Magdalen are clearly labelled with your child's name

Their Fears & Your Fears

- We recognise that for many of the children and the parents it's their first time apart for a prolonged period of time.
- Homesickness is natural.
- Great preparation for Year 6 camp/France
- Any problems we would contact you. No news is good news!



They may get a little tired...





They may get a little dirty...









But they will have an amazing time!



