



MEADGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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To: Parents/Carers of Children going on the Educational Visit to the Isle of Wight

Dear Parents/Carers,

With the visit to the Isle of Wight rapidly approaching, I am now able to let you have FINAL details. Please find attached the health letter, permission slip and clothing list. **Please keep this in a safe place.** The hotel will be the Victoria Lodge Hotel and children will be accompanied by Mr Figg, Ms Meager, Miss Laurence, Mrs Tingham & Mrs Davine. The coach will be with us for the entire trip.

**Victoria Lodge Hotel
Alexandra Road
Shanklin
Isle of Wight
PO37 6AF**

Children will be asked who they would like to share a room with and we will match the requests to rooms. The children will be told their rooms upon arrival at the hotel.

Luggage – The children's luggage will go into the boot of the coach and the next time they will be opened will be at the hotel. Please ensure that all luggage is packed into a holdall style bag, the hotel is not big and cannot accommodate large suitcases. Please also bear in mind that each child is required to lift his/her own case on and off the coach **and** up two flights of stairs in the hotel. Try to pack **only the essentials** in order to cut down weight. It is advisable to sellotape a list of what is packed inside the lid of the holdall so that children can use this as a checklist when re-packing to come home. If the children can pack their bags to go they will have some idea of what they have and how it goes in their bag.

For the journey itself, please provide the children with a small snack as there will be a short stop before arriving at Portsmouth's Historic Docks. The children will also need to bring a packed lunch, including a drink (no fizzy drinks or glass bottles please) for the stop on the journey there. I suggest this is put in a throw away bag rather than carrying a lunch box. Chocolate is not recommended for the journey as it is quite a way and might be a hot day.

The hotel does not allow food or sweets in the hotel rooms. Therefore please ensure that children are not sent with a supply of sweets and food in their luggage!

We have set a **maximum of £30.00** pocket money which should be handed to your child's group leader **on the morning of departure** - please try to include as many £1 coins as possible in 5 separate named money bags or envelopes, (one for each day). Money will be given out once a day before trips. Children will be responsible for their own money during the days out.

If travel pills are needed, please dose and supply as appropriate. All pills and medicines are to be clearly labelled with the child's name and dose required and given to your child's group leader on the **Monday morning before we leave.**

The coach will leave at **09.00 a.m.** Please arrive at 8.30 a.m. - not before - and report to either Mr Figg, Ms Meager, Miss Laurence, Mrs Tingham, or Mrs Davine. Luggage is to be left outside school, in the playground if it is dry. If it is wet, please bring the bags into the school hall.

We will use SIMS InTouch, Twitter @MeadgatePS and the website to inform you of our arrival and updates throughout the week. Children will return to school at approximately 8:00 p.m on **Friday, 12th July** and again I will keep you informed of our progress via the above mentioned. However the Isle of Wight's 3G coverage is poor so please bear with us!

Health Form

Attached to this letter is a form for **immediate** return. It will be carried with us at all times together with the first aid kit.

Under normal school circumstances, only prescribed medications are applied or given but these are not normal circumstances and the staff will act in loco parentis and administer whatever is required should a situation arise. We only anticipate the odd graze or blister but we are able to administer calpol/soluble junior paracetamol with your signed permission. **(Please see Health Form)**. Miss Laurence and Mrs Tinham are qualified First Aiders.

Swim/Paddle

As none of the adults on the trip hold a current Bronze Medallion Life Saving Certificate, the children will not be permitted to swim in the sea. They will still be able to paddle, ankle depth but we must receive your permission as indicated on the attached slip.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Figg', written over a horizontal line.

Joseph Figg
Executive Headteacher

Attachments - Health Form
Paddling Permission Slip
Minimum Clothing List

MEADGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL
Educational Visit to the Isle of Wight – Monday 8th to Friday 12th July 2019

HEALTH FORM

Name of Child:

Home Address:

Emergency Contact Details

1) Name: Telephone No.

2) Name: Telephone No.

Name and address of child's doctor:

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Any known contact with infectious illness during the last month (give details):

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Any medical treatment at present:

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Known allergies and special conditions:

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Please indicate below items that you give us permission to administer (if required):

Yes

No

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Calpol
Soluble Junior Paracetamol
Travel Sickness Medication

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Savlon antiseptic cream
Wet Ones – wet wipes
Anthisan Cream (relief of insect bites, stings, nettle rash etc)

We also have a First Aid Kit with the following items - Hypoallergenic Plasters, Lint, Melolin Pads, Micropore Tape, Triangular Bandage, Crepe Bandage, Wound Dressing

Please indicate below if you do not wish for any of the items in the First Aid Kit to be administered.

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Date of last anti-tetanus injection:

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Special instructions:

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EMERGENCY PERMISSION

I hereby authorise the leaders of Meadgate Primary School party (8th to 12th July 2019) to give permission to the doctor in charge to undertake whatever treatment is considered necessary for my child.

Signed Date

This form must be returned to school immediately. If there is any information of any kind about your child that you feel it may be helpful for the leaders to know, then please contact a member of staff or add relevant information to this form.

In the event of any medical treatment being needed, every effort will first be made to contact parent

Paddling Permission Slip - Isle of Wight 2019

NAME OF CHILD _____

I give permission for my child to paddle in the sea whilst on the visit to the Isle of Wight.

Signed
Parent/Guardian

MEADGATE PRIMARY SCHOOL
MINIMUM CLOTHING LIST

Please do not send your child with a mobile phone (all adults will have a mobile telephone and will be in regular contact with the school).

Bags should be holdall style bags, no big suitcases please as the children have to carry them.

Waterproof Jacket or Anorak or Cagoule – **ESSENTIAL!**

Ruck Sack – **ESSENTIAL!**

Sun Cream – **ESSENTIAL!**

Sun Hat – **ESSENTIAL!**

ESSENTIAL ITEMS – *These will be checked for before departure and if any of these items are missing no IOW!*

2 pairs of jeans or long trousers

2 warm jumpers

2 pairs of shoes (1 for walking, comfortable and **not** bought new especially for the trip) 1 pair could be trainers **but not heellies/'roller' trainers thank you.**
(NO FASHION SHOES FOR WALKING)

1 pair of shoes for the beach

Changes of socks (and/or tights for girls)

1 Hand towel, 1 Bath towel (it may be useful to have an additional towel for the beach that may get sandy)

T-shirts for beach and day wear

Changes of underwear

Polythene bag or bin-liner for dirty washing

Slippers (for wearing indoors)

Nightclothes (dressing gown if room in case)

Washing kit, hairbrush and comb

Small games etc. For example - travelling chess, Scrabble, cards, books, puzzles, crosswords & magazines.

Camera - (Please note Meadgate Primary School, The Isle of Wight Experience and Victoria Lodge Hotel will not accept any responsibility for loss or damage)

**PLEASE SEE THAT ALL ARTICLES OF CLOTHING ARE CLEARLY MARKED
WITH YOUR CHILD'S NAME**

Children are responsible for their own belongings, including camera