



Wickham Common

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Year 6 School Journey to UKSA Isle of Wight Monday 9th to Friday 13th June 2025

As you will know, for the past few years, we have organised a residential school journey for Year 6 children, this year we are delighted to have provisionally booked UK Sailing Academy at Cowes, Isle of Wight following such a superb experience this year. This will be a five day/four night experience at a cost of approximately £597.00 per pupil. As you will appreciate, we have discussed many different possibilities at length as a staff and although we know it is expensive for parents, we truly believe all pupils will benefit, socially and physically as well as enjoy this amazing week away with their school friends.

UKSA is a maritime youth charity and world-renowned training centre of excellence. They inspire and support children and young people to broaden their horizons through inspirational water-based adventures, education, and training at sea. They are passionate about enhancing life skills, developing resilience, confidence, and teamwork.

We shall be travelling by coach from School to Portsmouth. From Portsmouth, we will travel to the Isle of Wight on a small private ferry which is run by the UKSA themselves and starts the week so well. We will be met by a superb team of qualified water and sailing experts who will ensure that we are safely ensconced in our newly refurbished accommodation before we are all kitted out for our wetsuits and safety helmets for the week. That afternoon we go straight into our water sports adventure with a refreshing pontoon jump. More details to follow regarding exactly what we will be doing all week, but we shall be able to access kayaking, keel boating, dinghy sailing and stand-up paddle boarding, to name a few. Please do take a look on the link below to see all the details of what is on offer.

[Outdoor Activity Centre for Schools & Groups - UKSA](#)

The cost for this trip includes all activities, food, accommodation including bedding and the coach travel to and from the site.

Obviously, we would like all our Year 6 pupils to go on this fantastic trip and following the success from this year, we know they would learn so much, become confident individuals as well as having an amazing time. We do appreciate that this is a large sum to pay but can highly recommend UKSA and we know it offers great value for money.



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Please be aware the final cost of this visit is dependent on the number of children attending and therefore if we do not receive sufficient funds, we may have to cancel this trip.

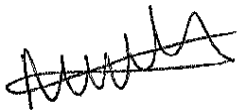
We would very much appreciate if you could complete and return the attached slip showing your intention, as well as paying an initial deposit of £100 (only refundable if the trip does not go ahead as planned). The deposit is payable via Arbor and can be paid in two instalments of £50 and must be paid by 25th August 2024. Please complete the return slip by Friday 19th July 2024.

We will be holding a brief information meeting next Tuesday 16th July at 15.00-15.25 in the hall to show case what the children will be doing and answer any questions you may have then.

Once we have finalised the numbers, we will send out details of the final cost and payment plan.

If you have any questions about this trip or would like to discuss help with payments, then please do not hesitate to contact me directly as I have had a wealth of experience of taking groups to the UKSA.

Yours sincerely,



Miss R Williams
Head Teacher

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Childs Name: _____ Class: _____

My child **will be** taking part in the UKSA Year 6 Trip and I will pay the deposit on Arbor by 26th August 2024.

My child **will not** be taking part in the UKSA Year 6 Trip

Signed: _____ Date: _____