



Chasewater 2019 -
meeting for parents.



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Outdoor Education Centre?

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Chasewater Outdoor Education centre is situated on the shore of Chasewater itself, near Burntwood/Lichfield, Staffordshire.

The centre is in a secure compound with a range of facilities:

- Two spacious classrooms
- Separate shower and toilet facilities with a 'drying room' in each
- Two dormitories (providing accommodation for up to 84) including staff rooms and a 'night toilet'.
- Large 'mess room' where meals and lessons are taken.
- Climbing walls (indoor and out)
- Well-equipped cycle shed
- Boat shed (motorboats and relevant safety equipment)
- Spacious grounds
- Gated access to the lake and grounds surrounding Chasewater itself
- Competent and well-trained staff.

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The Centre is eco-friendly and has had the majority of its hot water heated by solar panels.

Menus are varied and designed to support healthy eating.

NB Dietary requirements are well-catered for. Detailed information will be made available to the Centre for particular needs e.g. Intolerance or allergies, vegetarians.

Please let us know if this affects your child by **Monday 14th October 2019**.

What will they do whilst there?



Mission Impossible

- Team work

- Problem solving

- Logical thinking





Cycling





Archery

Radio Navigation



Going into the local area with little radios with clues and puzzles to solve. To use the clues to work out their own route.

Local walk



Deer watching



Habitat study





Climbing/bouldering





Forest schools



Orienteering



Position
and
direction

Team
work

Following
maps

Symbols
and keys

What will they do whilst there?



Night walks

Diary writing

Follow up work

Skills of independence



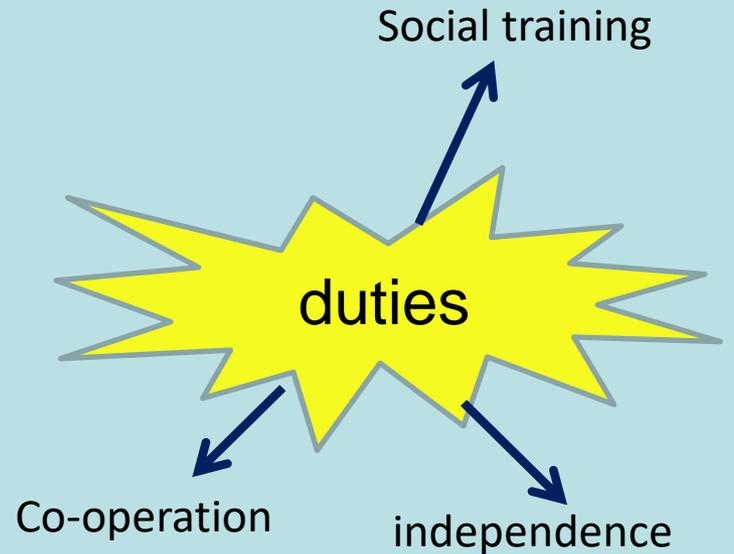
Campfire

Social training

duties

Co-operation

independence



Typical daily routine

07.30 Rise

08.00 Breakfast

09.30 - 12.30 Morning sessions

12.30 - 13.45 Lunch

13.45 - 17.00 Afternoon session

17.00 Evening Meal

18.00 - 19.15 Classroom work

19.15 - 21.00 Evening session

21.00 Supper

21.30 Bedtime

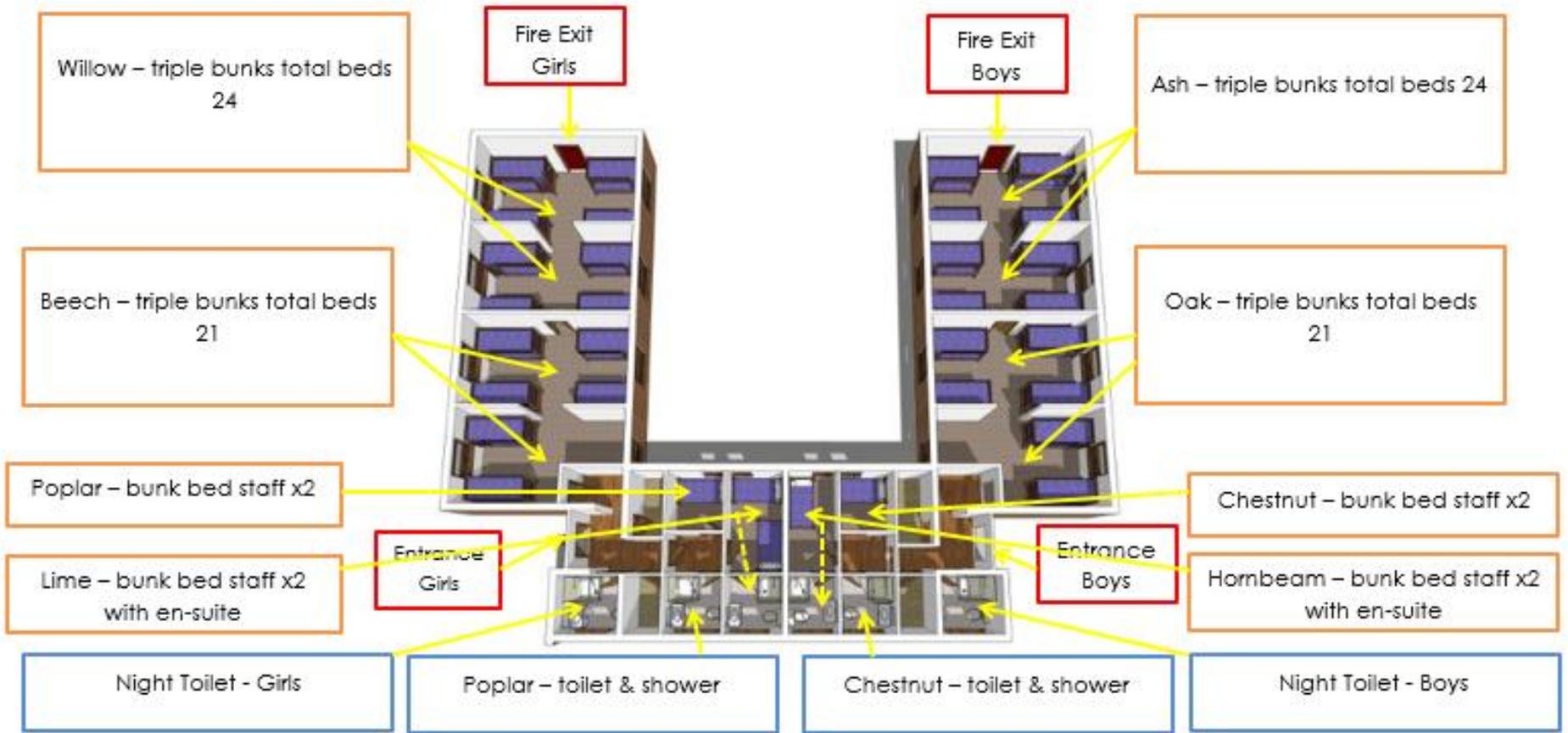




Watch groups



Chasewater – Dormitory Plan



Important information for parents.

Kit list

All pupils have received a kit list.

Ensure that your child's name is in all clothing (including shoes).

Don't over-pack! Just make sure you have plenty of socks!

Thermals are also a good idea!

Items not allowed....

- Hairdryers, straighteners or electrical items including hand held games and ipods/mp3 players/ipads, tablets, etc.
- Mobile phones
- Cameras

Important information for parents.

Medical Form

You will be asked to return the detailed medical form by **Monday 14th October 2019**. All medicines and inhalers **must be labelled** and given to a member of staff on the morning of departure. It is essential that children who suffer from hay fever, asthma, etc. bring their medication even though it may not be required.

Insurance

All staff and students attending the centre are covered by the same public liability insurance as they would be at school.

Discipline

High standards of behaviour are vital, especially with so many children in residence. Much of the work relies upon the goodwill of the local rural community and it is essential that no pupil behaves in a way that might damage good relations.

Important information for parents.

Pocket money

Should the children wish to bring pocket money, it needs to be **no more than £10.00** in a named wallet/purse. The only facilities to buy items is at the small 'shop' in the evenings. All money is the children's responsibility.

Dietary requirements

Please let us know if your child has any specific dietary requirements as soon as possible, including vegetarians.

Sweets

A tuck shop will be open each night but children may bring their own 'small amount' of sweets in a **labelled container** which will be kept in the 'mess deck'. No sweets or drinks are allowed in the dormitories.

Directions to Chasewater Outdoor Education Centre

(in the unlikely event that you need to come to collect a child).

Although there is a postcode, Sat-Nav will not take you to the right place!

Follow the A5 West from Tamworth towards Cannock.

At the cross-roads by The Terrace Buffet restaurant, turn right onto A5195.

Take the first exit on the first roundabout (still on the A5195) and first exit on the next roundabout (still on the A5195).

Turn left onto Pool Lane (signposted Chasewater OEC) and follow the single track as far as it will go. Chasewater will be on your right-hand side; the Sailing Club is on the left.



What now?

Please ensure the following are returned to school asap:

- Outstanding amounts of money to pay for the visit
- Behavioural slip returned to school
- Swimming capability form returned to school (as we are near water)
- Inform Miss Tiddy, Miss Lamb or Mr Pratt of any dietary or health requirements e.g. allergies and vegetarians.

Monday 14th October 2019:

- Return medical consent form, filled in please.

Morning of the visit i.e. Monday 11th November 2019:

- Any medication needed will need to be declared on the medical form and given to a member of staff or in a container with the child's name and clear instructions.
- Check that your child has his/her inhaler with him/her (if applicable).