# Connaught Junior School

Y6 Residential Information Evening – April 2024



We have booked PGL Osmington Bay for our Y6 Residential next year.

This powerpoint will give you a brief overview of the trip so you can find out more about it!





#### What is the Y6 Residential?

#### Monday 24th – Friday 28th March 2025.

After two successful trips, we have booked PGL Osmington Bay, Weymouth, Dorset again.

#### What's involved:

- Away for 4 nights children stay in rooms of 4 with their own private bathroom.
- Teacher accommodation is spread out between children's bedrooms.
  - Always 2 school adults on call during the night!
- Delicious breakfast, lunches and dinners with lots and lots of choice and catering for allergies.



#### **Amazing Activities!**

#### Activities from last year's trip:

- Jacob's Ladder
- Abseiling
- Fencing
- Rifle Shooting
- Giant Paddle boarding\*
- Sensory Trail
- Archery
- Buggy building
- Giant swing
- Zip wire
- Climbing
- Trapeze
- Street Surfing

\*Please note that paddle boarding might not be available in March 2025

There was also free time during the day and children have time to play games outside.

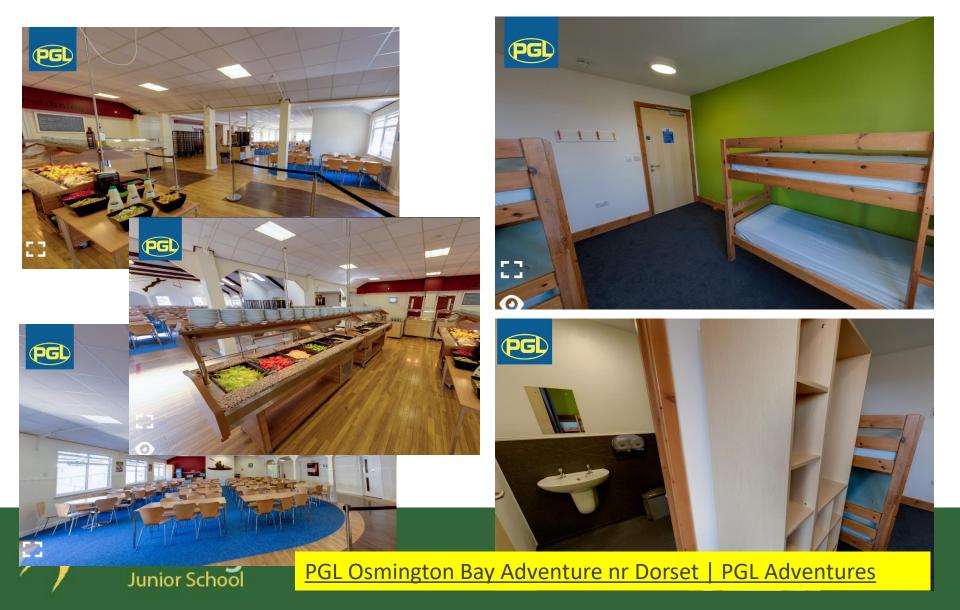
Children also have free times in their rooms.

There is a shop on-site where children can buy a souvenir.

PGL put on evening activities every evening including movie nights, treasure hunts, sports competitions and a disco.



## **Accommodation & Dining Room**



### **Keeping in touch!**

We usually make short videos every day, so we can keep you updated.

You will also get a parentmail to let you know that we have arrived safely.

Unfortunately, just like being at school, we cannot let the children bring mobile phones on the trip as it is a safeguarding risk.



## A rite of passage!

We believe this trip is a rite of passage and has the following benefits:

- Grow in confidence before our eyes!
- Face challenges that they cannot face in the normal school setting.
- Overcome worries and nerves.
- Develop their resilience and perseverance.
- Experience a huge sense of achievement.
- Experiment with making (some) independent choices.
- Look out for one another.
- Preparing them for future trips/residentials
- Making memories.



#### Every child is welcome

You may have worries that your child would not cope. We will put measures in place to tailor the trip to all children's needs. Talk to us about your worries and we will accommodate them.

Worries about the coach

Anxiety

Medical needs

Personal hygiene issues

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How you feel about your child going on the Residential, may be different to how you and they will feel in March next year.

Also, worth noting that peers will get more and more excited as we get closer to going!



#### Being homesick is part of the trip!

Part of going away from home, is realising how much you love home! Being homesick is another part of the trip.

Some of the measures we will put in place:

- We will place your child in a room and activity group with their friends
- With adults who they know and trust.
- We keep them so busy that they are always distracted from feelings and thoughts about home.
- Frist night can be tricky as they are overexcited, but after that they are so tired that they settle easily.



# Don't just take our word for it

It was a really great experience because you get to do new things that you've never done before. The best thing was the abseiling because it was scary but really fun. The instructors were nice and made everything exciting.

It was really exciting and fun. It was a great experience to be with your friends and to be away from your parents. The food was delicious and the evening activities were brilliant.

from home because if you felt worried you could just go to the teachers and they would make it feel better. It is the best thing you could do.

I was really nervous about it before we went but my teacher helped me by answering any questions that I had. Then I went on it and it was amazing. I would definitely recommend that everyone goes as you'll never get to do it again.

It is loads of fun. I didn't like heights before but this helped me overcome it. I would 100% recommend that everyone goes. It is not worth going anywhere else.



## Finally - cost of the trip

Total cost: £475-£485 (depending on the number of children participating).

 This includes: transport, accommodation, food, bedding and expert tuition.

A payment schedule will be sent to all children who are confirmed on the trip.

To secure your child's place, log in to your ParentPay account and complete the permissions form and make a non-refundable deposit of £60. The deposit needs to be paid by 30th April.



#### **More Information**

If you would like more information about the Residential you can visit their website:

PGL Osmington Bay Adventure nr Dorset | PGL Adventures

You can also view video of our trip to Osmington Bay last year to see what the experience was like for our current Year 6 cohort. You can find the videos on the school website:

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