



Connaught

Junior School

**Y4 ACS Egham Information
Evening**

What is the Y4 Residential?

It is new this year – it was offered to our school through ACS's partnership programme with local schools

ACS Egham

- Away for 1 night (2 days)
- We leave on Monday morning via coach and will be back for pick up on the Tuesday
- Children stay in a large canvas tent with 9 other children
- Teacher's tents will be dotted between the children's tents
- There will always 2 school adults on call during the night.
- Children will be participating in a range of activities – let's hear about some of those in a moment
- Dinner provided on day 1
- Breakfast and lunch provided on day 2

The 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.
- Making new friends

What does camp involve?



FLAG CEREMONY

Every school receives a blank flag around two months before their camp. The children decorate their flag ready to raise high above their camp during the opening ceremony.



MAKING CAMP!

The most important task of the camp is putting up the tents! Our tents are huge and it takes real teamwork and cooperation for the children to build their temporary homes.



KIN BALL

The evening is time to burn off some energy! Every school battles with the mighty Kin Ball in our giant run-around games!



CAMPFIRE

A critical element on any camp is the campfire! Marshmallows roasted on our Mega-Marshmallow-Maker, the loudest songs we can sing, and, finally, interactive stories by flickering firelight before bed!

Daytime group activities!

We have created our own bespoke camp programme, choosing things that we think will be enjoyable but also teach the children some valuable skills. The activities are delivered by highly trained and experienced staff.



WATER PURIFICATION

Build a purifying filter able to turn very muddy water into very tasty hot-chocolate!



CRASH AND CARRY

Learn age appropriate first aid skills and work in teams to build temporary den-shelters.



PENDANTS & PUMP DRILLS

Using Bronze Age drilling techniques to make a personalised stone pendant to keep.



LIFE SKILLS

Work together to complete tasks designed to develop life skills, teamwork, communication, planning and initiative.

What about safety?

Quality Badge awarded by



CAMPING AND ACTIVITY RISK ASSESSMENTS 2020

Assessor	Assessment/Review date	Last amended	Legislation
David Conway, Director The Outdoors People	27 January 2020	17 January 2020	Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 Health and Safety First Aid Regulations 1981 Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 Manual Handling Operations Regulations 1981 Food Safety and Hygiene (England) Regulations 2013 Food Safety Act 1985 Control of Substances Hazardous to Health Regulations 2002 Noise Control Regulations 2005 Noise Control Act 1975 Offshore Workplaces Act (1989) Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012 Control of Lead Regulations 2013
Erin Beaton, Director The Outdoors People	1st January 2020	1st January 2020	

Officer's risk assessment can foresee all variables. These generic risk assessments are designed to produce safe working procedures for almost all investigations that The Outdoors People staff will encounter when delivering our activities and camping. Activity camps location is different to most, "CP" staff must support these assessments with site specific, dynamic risk assessments. These include discussions in question with the school and specialist regulations where applicable.

Notes: The specific rules and rules issued to teachers and school are the responsibility of the school and are covered by the school's Risk Assessment, Safety Policies and Insurance.

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- The camps take place in the safe environment on the school grounds and students are always supervised during activities.
- Children will be accompanied by staff from Connaught and The Outdoor People.
- Their team of instructors are all highly skilled, adventure education professionals.
- On site security at ACS through the day and night.



Kit list!

PACKED LUNCH (only for the first day)

OUTDOOR KIT

- Warm practical outdoor clothing
- Waterproof coat with a hood
- Warm hat, scarf, gloves, sunhat, sun cream
- Two pairs of practical shoes/trainers
- Plastic water bottle for refilling (minimum one)

INDOOR KIT

- A sleeping bag (3 season if possible)
- Pillow (optional)
- Blanket (optional)
- 1 set of clothes suitable for an indoor activity
- Pyjamas

INDOOR KIT COTINUED

- Underwear
- Socks
- Wash kit – flannel, toothpaste/brush, hairbrush (hair ties for girls) etc.
- Laundry bags/plastic bags/shoe bags (to keep clean & dirty clothes separate)
- Teddy/comforter for night time
- Small non-electronic games such as Top Trumps, Uno or Dobble to play during free time in rooms. No trading games or electronics whatsoever.
- A small torch (optional but very handy)

More kit list!

THINGS NOT TO BRING

(ANY OF THE ITEMS LISTED BELOW WILL BE CONFISCATED FOR THE DURATION OF THE TRIP)

- NO mobile phones or smartwatches
- NO electronics such as iPods or handheld gaming devices - digital cameras or fitbit-type wearables are allowed.
- NO trading games eg: Pokemon cards/Match Attax
- NO sweets or snacks
- NO jewellery

Behaviour agreement

- Your child has taken home a sheet that requires your signature.
- Please take the time to read through the behaviour agreement and hand it in to their class teacher.

Being homesick is part of the trip!

- Even though it is one night, we recognise that some children may struggle, especially when it comes to sleeping. Part of going away from home, is realising how much you love home! Being homesick is another part of the trip.
- Your children will hopefully be having so much fun and will be so tired that going to sleep will not be an issue.
- They are with adults who they know and trust.
- As a last resort and if your child is struggling, we are only in Egham. This means you may collect them if that is the right choice for you and your child.

Any questions?