



**Myton Park
Primary School**

Together we Nurture, Inspire and Achieve

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Dear parents/carers,

Please find attached a reminder of the key information about our upcoming trip to Robinwood and information about souvenirs.

Souvenirs

Your child will bring a souvenir order form home from school. If you wish to purchase any of the souvenirs, please complete the form and return to school in an envelope with the correct amount in cash only by Monday 15th September.

Kit list

Please bring all of the items from the Robinwood kit list and the following items:

- Sun cream
- Labelled black bin liner for wet clothes

Do not bring

- Mobile phones
- Spray cans- deodorant, hairspray etc.
- Food
- Anything electrical or battery operated
- Cameras

Wednesday 17th September

Please arrive at school between 8.30am and 8.45am at school dressed for first day activities.

Bring luggage to hall and attach your luggage label.

Give clearly labelled medication to Mr Lee.

Coaches will depart at 9am.

Friday 19th September

Pupils are expected to arrive back at school by 3pm. If there are any changes to our expected arrival time, the school office will contact you via text.

Many thanks

Mr R Lee
Y6 teacher



robin wood
we make

a really positive
DIFFERENCE
developing children

Barhaugh Hall

Our 18th century hall based activity centre is in Alston, Cumbria, set among the rolling hills of the North Pennines.

Our Barhaugh Hall Activity Centre stands in 9 acres of grounds and is set amongst the rolling hills of the North Pennines. The centre is just north of Alston, in an 'area of outstanding natural beauty'. Your group will walk through the surrounding hills with your group leaders on arrival at the centre coach park.

We have developed many adventure activity venues within the centre grounds. We have created a shallow sheltered lake next to the activity centre, which provides the ideal environment for adventurers to do Canoeing and Raft Building. In the extension we have three fantastic, challenging high activities. There is a Climbing Wall and a room for Crate Challenge. There is also an indoor Trapeze with platform options to leap from two different levels. There are further indoor areas in the grounds for the Dungeon and our legendary Piranha Pool. In wooded areas of the grounds we have two Zip Wires, a Challenge Course and two Night Lines. Also within the grounds we have our Archery range and Quest area.

Accommodation is in Barhaugh Hall itself, a magnificent building full of character, which is believed to date back to the late 18th century. You stay in dormitories with between 2 and 14 beds, with toilet and washing facilities nearby. There are male and female shower rooms with separate shower cubicles for privacy.



The Activities

Our action packed trips consist of more activities over 3 days than most centres can provide in a 5 day course

Each activity typically lasts an hour and a ten minutes, this allows us to not only fit more in, but ensures the children remain focused and totally engaged throughout. Varying from puzzle solving and adventure activities, through to pure adrenaline rushes. Children are guaranteed to find something they will excel at. Activities may vary slightly according to weather conditions.



Archery

Following an introduction and demonstration, children receive individual coaching for their first arrows until they have the skills needed to get arrows on target.



Canoeing

Canoeing takes place on very sheltered shallow water, with the children close to the bank at all times. The Canadian canoes used are very stable and accommodate up to 3 children in each canoe.



Caving

Specially designed indoor caving systems at all of our centres are constructed for realism and adventure, but also to introduce the activity at just right the right level.



Challenge Course

Challenge Courses typically run through wooded areas of the grounds and incorporate many different challenges for the group.



Climbing

Purpose built indoor climbing walls create the safest possible environment for young people to be introduced to climbing.



Crate Challenge

Crate Challenge is a high activity with the emphasis on teamwork. Groups are given the challenge of building a crate tower together.



Dungeon

The group need to escape from the Dungeon, a place full of cobwebs, spooky noises, skeletons and other horrors. They can only do this through excellent teamwork.



Giant Swing

Adventure and teamwork combine on the Giant Swing. Two children wearing harnesses go on the swing together, and swing through the air!



Nightline

With blindfold in place the children put one hand on the rope and then follow it wherever it goes. It goes to all sorts of interesting places!



Piranha Pool

This session involves different 'crystal maze' type challenges, going back and forth across our 'Piranha Pool', without falling in.



Quest

There are a series of problems for each activity group to overcome and if they can manage to do this the Quest is achieved.



Raft Building

A great activity for teamwork combined with watersports fun. We provide a range of items that could be used to make a raft, with various design options possible.



Team Challenge

In Team Challenge we get a number of activity groups together for various inter-group challenges.



Trapeze

Climb up to a platform around 5 metres above the ground, then leap off and catch a bar, which is dangling a short distance in front of you.



Zip Wire

Zip Wire is a real thrill activity, which is great for group support and encouragement, individual confidence and achievement.

Useful Information and FAQs

Medical & dietary details

Medical and dietary information enables us to provide the best possible care for your child. Your school will ask you for details, please give us as much relevant information as possible, particularly if your child has any additional needs or requirements.

If your child has been off sick (or in contact with someone) with an infectious sickness bug before their trip, please discuss this with the school party leader. Robinwood has a 48hr clear policy and it is important that children with potentially infectious bugs do not attend a Robinwood centre.

Robinwood Meals

The food is good and there is plenty of it! As well as toast and cereals we always provide a cooked breakfast. At lunch we typically provide wraps, sandwiches, fruits and yogurts. We provide evening meals such as pasta bolognese, pizza and curry. More hot food and drinks are available over winter time. Break time snacks are provided and additional fruit is always available. There is always a vegetarian option and we regularly cater for special diets such as coeliac disease (gluten free), lactose free, dairy free and halal. Please let your school know in advance of any dietary needs. We aim to provide healthy meals that will appeal to the children in order they get the energy intake they need to fuel their three days at Robinwood.

What is your safety record?

We have an excellent safety record over 25 years of operation and currently more than 40,000 visiting pupils each year. All of our activities take place in safe secure environments that are appropriate and provide a safe introduction to adventure activities for 7-11 year olds.

What checks do you carry out on your staff?

All Robinwood staff are subject to Enhanced DBS checks (Disclosure and Barring Service) and suitable references. A DBS check is carried out periodically throughout all employees' careers.

Do different schools mix together?

It is likely that other schools will be present and you will see them occasionally at break times, but the children are kept busy with little opportunity to mix. Schools are allocated dormitories and dining rooms for exclusive use.





Useful Information and FAQs

What are your staffing levels?

We feel that good levels of supervision from a high quality staff team are vitally important for the success of Robinwood courses. When centres are operating we typically have 3 instructors for every 10 children.

What happens outside the activity times?

Children are supervised by Robinwood staff at all times throughout their stay. Children sleep in dormitories with all bedding provided and toilets close by. Shower times are built into the groups' timetable.

What are the educational benefits?

The benefits are many and varied, with curriculum links to all of the activities. We have an additional information sheet (available to the party leader) detailing learning objectives and outcomes, to show how a Robinwood course more than satisfies the outdoor and adventurous activities requirements of the national curriculum. All centres hold the Learning Outside the Classroom (LOTC) quality badge.

Developing Qualities: We have identified 12 qualities that children can develop whilst at Robinwood, focusing on 6 of these for each activity and 2 key qualities chosen by the teachers which are a focus throughout the trip. You can learn more about the 'Qualities We Develop' on our website.

Can you cater for children with additional needs?

We are committed, in so far as is possible, to a policy of inclusion and are keen for as many children as possible to benefit from a Robinwood course. We, however, have to acknowledge that we are not specialist providers for children with additional needs or physical disabilities. We will look at the needs of the individual child and will discuss options as to provision and participation with the party leader.

Any other questions?

We work closely with the schools' party leader and provide them with a lot of information about the course through their School Dashboard. Please contact your school for most enquires. For general information about Robinwood then please visit our [website](#) or social media outlets.



Suggested Clothing List

There is no need to go out and buy anything special for a trip to Robinwood, all specialist equipment is provided. The clothing list given includes clothing being worn on the journey (so if you are wearing a pair of trousers for the journey, you only need to pack 2 more pairs).

- Water Bottle
- 3 Comfortable long-sleeved tops (sweatshirts/jumpers/hoodies/fleeces)
- 3 T-shirts (no vests or crop tops)
- 3 Pairs of trousers (not restrictive; sportswear is good/ideally not jeans)
- 2 Pairs of shorts (knee length) or leggings you don't mind getting wet
- 5 Sets of underwear
- 6 Pairs of socks
- 2 Pairs of trainers
- 2 Towels
- 1 Waterproof coat
- 1 Sun hat (in warm weather)
- A spare Head Scarf (if you wear one)
- 1 Set of nightwear
- 1 Bag of toiletries (including suntan lotion and insect repellent in warm weather)
- 1 Bin liner (for wet clothes on day 3)

Notes on the suggested clothing

1. Please ensure, wherever possible, that items brought to Robinwood are marked with the child's name. It is really helpful if the school's name can also be indicated. We do our very best to return all property to the children that it belongs to and this is made much easier if items are named.
2. We have a drying room and also provide a laundry facility for children's clothing at Robinwood. Wet and/or dirty clothing will be washed on a 30-degree cycle and dried in a tumble drier. Please do not bring any new or expensive items, or any items which cannot be tumble dried. Please note that we don't have time to offer this service on the last morning, so if clothes get wet on your final day it's likely you will return with some damp clothes. The black bin liner listed is helpful to keep these separate from other clothes.
3. As a result of the provision of specialist Robinwood clothing and the laundry facility offered, children do not need to bring much additional clothing with them. Keeping the clothing brought by children to a minimum helps us to reduce lost property, so please don't exceed numbers stated in this clothing list.
4. Due to the nature of the activities, it is possible that clothes may occasionally get damaged. All clothing should be suitable for use in an outdoor, and sometimes muddy, environment. Old clothes are best, not new or expensive clothing.

Items not to bring

1. Please do not bring items such as mobile phones, any type of cameras (including disposables), computer games or iPads/tablets. Leave all expensive items at home.
2. Please do not bring any aerosol sprays. Our fire alarm is sensitive in order to ensure high standards of fire safety and aerosols sprayed near any of the many smoke alarm sensors can set off the fire alarm for the whole centre.
3. All bedding is provided, there is no need to bring your own bedding.

Lost property

1. During the course we will collect any lost property and display it for the group to re-claim whenever possible, particularly at the end of the course. If lost property appears after the group has left Robinwood we will post this on to the school, if the school and/or the owner can be identified.
2. If it is recognised that items have been lost whilst at Robinwood, it is best to let the school know, so that they can log details of the missing item(s) with us. We will be happy to search on centre for any lost items, as long as we are notified no more than 3 operational weeks after the course finished. We will then either return items or confirm that unfortunately we have been unable to find them.

Below you'll find a useful resource for including your child in the packing process. We believe this helps them develop a responsibility for their belongings, and look after them during the trip, reducing the amount of lost property.

Packing for Robinwood

(This list includes what you'll wear to Robinwood)



3 x T-Shirts

(No vests or crop tops please)



3 x Long Sleeve Tops

(Jumpers/Hoodies etc)



3 x Trousers

(Ideally not jeans)



2 x Pair of shorts (knee length)

(or leggings that can get wet)



5 x Pairs of underwear



6 x Pairs of socks



2 x Pairs of trainers



1 x Hat

(in warm weather)



1 x spare Head Scarf

(if you wear one)



1 x Coat - ideally waterproof

(For walking to centre)



1 x Set of pyjamas



2 x Towels



1 x Bag of toiletries

(No aerosols please)



Water Bottle



1 x Cuddly Toy

(Optional)

Please do not bring any
phones, cameras
or other electrical devices



Souvenir Form

Child's Name: _____

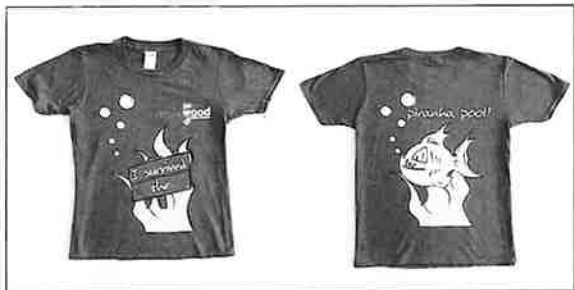
If you would like to pre-order Robinwood souvenirs please complete the order form below and return to your Party Leader.

Orders will be collated and given to your school during their stay.



Robinwood Piranha
Soft Toy
£12.50

(Approx Size 20cm)



'I Survived the Piranha Pool' T-Shirt - £12,50



Robinwood T-Shirt - £10



Robinwood Pencil - 60p



Robinwood Mug - £5



Robinwood Pen - £1,20



Robinwood Eraser - £1

Size	Piranha T-Shirt £12.50	Blue T-Shirt £10	Piranha Soft Toy £12.50	Mug £5	Pen £1.20	Pencil 60p	Eraser £1
7-8 (Youth M)							
9-11 (Youth L)							
12-13 (Youth XL)							
S (Adult)							
M (Adult)							
L (Adult)							
XL (Adult)							
Totals							
Cost							
Total Cost							

Payments should be made directly to your school. Thank you.