



Oakwood

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Dear Parents

Residential to Minstead Study Centre (8 – 12 February 2016)

I am pleased to be able to offer **current Year 3 and 4** children the opportunity to visit **Minstead Study Centre** near Lyndhurst in the next academic year.

Minstead is a fantastic opportunity for children to learn some important environmental messages and to live together in a community for a week. They explore the forest, walk on a bog, make woodland crafts, dip for creatures in the stream, make compost, pick (and eat!) vegetables, study the moon and the stars and hear some really old bedtime stories around the camp fire.

We have run this visit for many years now and it is always **very** popular. Places are **limited to 34** and if we have more children wanting to go than we are able to take, names will be drawn out of a hat. Priority will be given to those children who have not been to Minstead before.

The total cost of the visit will be approximately **£215** which will include transport to and from the centre. This year we have been able to keep the cost the same as the last two years.

I know this seems a long time before we go to Minstead, but it does mean that if you want your child to go you can make regular payments towards the cost of the visit.

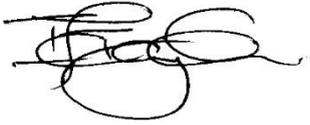
We have arranged a parents' meeting on **Thursday 18 June at 3.20 pm** and would like to invite all current Year 3 and 4 parents to come along to find out more about Minstead and what it has to offer before they make a decision about the visit.

We also have a great video of the visit: links.oakwoodlive.net/minstead



If you would like to book a place on the Minstead visit, please return the slip below with a non-refundable deposit of £65 by **Friday 19 June 2015**. (Cheques made payable to Southampton City Council). Please remember you may pay for this visit online. Please also indicate on the slip if you wish to come to the parents' meeting.

Yours sincerely



Ian Taylor
Headteacher

Minstead Parents' Meeting – 18 June 2015

Child's Name:

Class:

I will/will not* be able to attend the Minstead Parents' Meeting on the **18 June 2015**

I would like to book a place for my child for the residential visit to Minstead

I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £65 OR I have paid my deposit online

I understand the total amount for the trip will be **£215** and this amount needs to be paid by **15 January 2016**.

Signed _____

*Please delete as appropriate |