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| MOUNT CHARLES SCHOOL  A COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN AGED 5 - 11  Mr. C. Bunting  HEADTEACHER |  |

**Date:**

**Dear Parents/Carers,**

Some key information:

* The activities:
* Monday – Beach day – kayaking, canoeing and coasteering.
* Tuesday – High ropes and cycling.
* Wednesday – HALF DAY – archery and climbing.

[These are all led by the people working at Porthpean Outdoor Education Centre who are fully qualified and trained in these skills and activities.]

* Drop your child off at Porthpean Camp at **8.45 a.m. on Monday 4th June** – NO EARLIER – there will be no staff there before this time!
* Collect your child from Porthpean Camp at **1.15 p.m. on Wednesday 6th June**.
* We will organise the groups that shall share tents and we will inform the children when they arrive. They will be with one or two friends but also in groups that are considerate and will allow everyone sleep so they can really enjoy the experience.
* We will also put the children into different groups for the day activities and they will be informed of these before the activity.
* There will be other primary schools on site, but they will be in their own ‘villages’.
* There is a security guard on site overnight also to ensure your child’s safety and the gate will be locked. School staff will also remain on site overnight.
* Children will need a packed lunch for the first day only.

If you have any questions please come and find either Miss Nile or Mrs Boynton at the end of the school day.

Thanks,

**Miss Nile/Mrs Boynton**

**Year 5 Teachers**

**KIT LIST**

**Please ensure that ALL of your child’s belongings have been labelled with their name or initials – the centre will not take responsibility for the loss of personal items or equipment.**

**NIGHT-TIME**

* **Sleeping bag and blanket** – even though it is summer-time it can still get very cold.
* Pillow and pillowcase.
* Pyjamas or nightdress.
* Towel.
* Wash bag with soap, flannel, toothbrush, toothpaste and brush/comb.

**DAYWEAR**

* Sun Cream (30+)
* Clothing for outdoor activities should be warm and allow ease of movement – clothing may get scuffed and grubby.
* Changes of underwear.
* Trousers (tracksuit ideal but not jeans).
* Jumpers or fleeces (the evenings WILL get cold, even if the days aren’t).
* Several pairs of warm socks (they may get wet!).
* Waterproof jacket and trousers (Porthpean Centre will provide if you don’t have them).
* Wellies or walking boots (if you have them).
* Two pairs of trainers/plimolls (preferably old ones).
* Warm hat/gloves.
* Small rucksack/daysack – ESSENTIAL for carrying spare clothes and lunch!
* Two black bin bags (for wet and dirty clothes) and carrier bags.
* Packed lunch for the FIRST DAY ONLY.
* Unbreakable drinks container (no larger than 1 litre).
* Swimwear (not board shorts) and water shoes.
* Clothing and footwear for evening and indoor use.

**NO RADIOS, IPODS, ELECTRONIC GAMES OR MOBILE PHONES.**

The above should be packed into a medium sized bag. Holdalls are much better than suitcases. Sleeping bags are best packed separately. Loose items should not be tied on the outside of bags. EVERYTHING must be labelled with a name.

**Useful but not essential:**

1. Camera.
2. Reading book/puzzles, cards.
3. Cake for the evenings to be shared amongst the group. If you do bring a cake, please provide a clearly labelled container.