June 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

We are excited to offer, for the fourth time a year 4 residential visit to Laches Wood in Staffordshire.

The dates are **Wednesday 28th April to Friday 30th April 2027** The cost for the 3 days; with full board and coach transfers is approximately **£205** depending on pupil uptake. If your child would like to take part in this exciting experience. **Please pay your £25 deposit online using your Woodlands Academy of Learning Scopay account by Friday 3rd July 2026.** We are asking that the deposit is paid by this date so the booking can be secured.

I realise that this is a large sum of money and this is the purpose of this letter so that we can begin to collect money from you in plenty of time before the visit. Nearer the time, there will be an opportunity for you to meet in school where you will be given all the information you need about the Centre and pupils will be issued with information packs. Staff leading the visit will have prepared a wide variety of activities to be enjoyed during the 3 days.

**To lessen the burden of payment I am proposing that we split the payments across a number of months. The first payment of £25 will form a non-returnable deposit and we would ask that this be paid online via your SCOPAY account by Friday 3rd July 2026, to secure your child's place. This will leave a balance of *£180.00.***

**Please see plan below for instalment payment dates.**

**Laches Wood Payment Plan**

| Payment | Amount | Due Date |
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| Deposit (non-refundable) | £25.00 | 03/07/2026 |
| Payment 1 | £30.00 | 31/08/2026 |
| Payment 2 | £30.00 | 30/09/2026 |
| Payment 3 | £30.00 | 31/10/2026 |
| Payment 4 | £30.00 | 30/11/2026 |
| Payment 5 | £30.00 | 31/01/2027 |
| Payment 6 | £30.00 | 28/02/2027 |

Studies have shown that educational visits are extremely beneficial to pupils both personally and by supporting and re-enforcing what they are taught in the classroom. With this in mind, we truly are excited that we can offer this extra enrichment opportunity, which is above and beyond, the national curriculum. Residential visits are proven to benefit individuals in many ways e.g., they can improve peer relationships, motivate pupils, increase pupils' confidence and improve personal and social development.

We realise that not all children will want to attend and can confirm that learning will continue in school for these children during those 3 days.

Yours sincerely

Mrs T G Newton
Headteacher