

Friday 16th May 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians of Year 6 Pupils,

We are delighted to offer an exciting opportunity for next year's Year 7 pupils: a five-day residential trip to **Calshot Activities Centre** in Hampshire, taking place from **16th–20th March 2026**.

We are sharing this information well in advance to help families spread payments over time and to secure our booking with Calshot, one of Britain's largest and most respected outdoor adventure centres. With its prime location on the Solent near the New Forest, Calshot offers a superb blend of outdoor and academic activities, led by highly trained staff and delivered to the highest safety standards. We are grateful to our Parkfields staff, who will accompany the trip, for making this possible by giving their time and being willing to be involved as they do this in addition to their paid responsibilities.

The trip's main focus is environmental education. Pupils will engage in bio-geographical investigations along the Southampton Water estuary, and explore hydrology and river landscapes within the New Forest. These fieldwork experiences directly support the new National Curriculum in Geography and Science, enriching pupils' learning through hands-on case studies and practical techniques.

The estimated cost is **£480.00 per child**, based on a minimum of 60 pupils attending. This includes accommodation, all activities, travel, food, and insurance. Please note: the trip will only proceed with sufficient interest, and costs may increase if fewer pupils participate. Families experiencing financial hardship are encouraged to contact Ms Leopold on eleopold@parkfieldsschool.co.uk in confidence.

There is a strict behaviour criteria that pupils must fulfil in order to be considered for this trip, and we reserve the right to withdraw a pupil if we have concerns about their ability to behave appropriately or ensure their own safety and that of others during the trip.

To **secure a place**, please log in to your **School Money** account by **Sunday 25th May** and pay the **£100 non-refundable deposit**. For queries regarding School Money, please contact Mrs Takacs on finance@parkfieldsschool.co.uk

Further details will be sent out regarding the trip at a later date, but if you have any queries in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us.

The payment schedule is outlined below:

Date	Amount	Refundable?
25/05/2024	£100.00 - deposit	No - only if the trip is oversubscribed or we manage to resell the place to someone else
30/06/25	£76.00	Yes
31/07/25	£76.00.	Yes
31/08/25	£76.00	Yes
30/09/25	£76.00	Yes
31/10/25	£76.00	Yes
Total	£480.00	

For further information about Calshot and to view their facilities please visit their website: [Calshot Activities Centre | Hampshire County Council \(hants.gov.uk\)](https://www.hants.gov.uk/calshot-activities-centre)

Yours sincerely,

Mr J Hughes
Headteacher



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