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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are pleased to let you know that we have been able to secure a one night residential for your child with Young Spirit. Young Spirit is a specialist part of outdoor pursuits company, Spirit of Adventure, based on Dartmoor in Devon. Spirit of Adventure was established over 25 years ago and is a well-known and respected provider of outdoor and adventurous activities worldwide. More information can be found about them at: <u>www.youngspirit.com</u>

This one night, fully-catered visit to the Dewerstone Bunkhouse, in the week beginning the 25th March, is a fantastic opportunity for your child to experience a night away where they can appreciate the environment, live and work together, experience some easy walking and take part in achievable challenges. In the past, this trip has been incredibly successful, giving children the unique out of class opportunity to develop friendships, courage, resilience and overcome fears.

The children will take a minibus from school to the meeting point at Cadover bridge, following the track to Shaugh Bridge, stopping for a picnic lunch if the weather is suitable. The walking is easy, going downhill most of the way. The bunkhouse is nestled in a valley above the River Meavy. Once there, after a short briefing, the children will spend time making their beds and getting used to their new environment. The children will participate in a few afternoon activities and then will help prepare for the evening meal. After dinner, there will be time for games and a night walk, finished by a hot chocolate around the wood burner before heading off to bed.



After breakfast the next day, there will be an adventure racecourse full of many activities. Lunch will be provided before making our way back to meet the transport and return back to school.

This one night residential, including all transport and food, is available for £102.30. In order to secure your child's place, please use the Arbor Parent Portal to pay a deposit of £21 by the 31st October (the trip will be set up on Arbor in due course – hopefully next week). The remainder of the trip will be paid in three instalments of £25 on 30th November and 30th January, and a final payment of £31.30 on the 28th February. If you wish to pay for the trip in the full amount, you are perfectly welcome to.

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact your child's class teacher and we will be happy to answer your queries. We will send more information out once we have confirmed numbers.

If there is not enough interest and money raised for this school trip, we will need to cancel altogether.

Miss Kendall and Miss Westlake Year 4 Team

