

East Barnby
Year 6 Residential Visit
13th-17th October 2025

Monday 3rd February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be able to let you know that we have secured a booking at East Barnby for our Y6 pupils next year.

For many years now, we have taken our Y6 pupils to the East Barnby Outdoor Education Centre which is near Whitby.

<https://outdoored.co.uk/east-barnby-outdoor-centre/>

The visit is an excellent opportunity for children to develop a range of skills (particularly relating to independence, resilience and teamwork) which then transfer to the classroom environment.

We have used this centre for more than 20 years and have always had a superb week. All the staff there are highly qualified in their particular area of outdoor expertise.

We have several aims in taking the children to East Barnby:

1. To develop self confidence, resilience, self esteem and organisational skills
2. To engage in field studies to support our geography curriculum
3. To engage in adventurous activities
4. To foster a love of, and respect for, the outdoors

We achieve this by immersing the children in the life of an outdoor centre where they have to take responsibility for organising and tidying shared areas, help with meal times and work co-operatively to achieve common goals. The children will also take part in a number of challenging activities which may include:

- Beck scrambling
- Canoeing
- Orienteering
- Rock climbing
- Mountain biking

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When reflecting on their time at Western, the majority of our children choose their time at East Barnby as their most memorable experience. In responding to the challenges of the week, the children discover talents and qualities they never knew they possessed and new friendships are often formed.

The total cost of the visit will be £410 per pupil which is a significant reduction from previous years due to a East Barnby reducing their prices. This covers food, transport, accommodation, equipment hire and instruction. Please note that this is a voluntary contribution and that a child will not be treated any differently should a parent be unable to pay. However, the trip could not go ahead if a significant number of parents were unable to contribute.

We do not want any child to miss out on this trip due to financial constraints. If you are likely to experience difficulty paying for this visit, please contact me (brookes@wes.rklt.co.uk) in the strictest of confidence and I will be able to discuss options with you.

In order to secure a place for your child on this visit, we are asking for a non-refundable deposit of £150 to be paid by Friday 25th April. Payment can be made on Arbor in one lump sum or in several smaller amounts spread over a few weeks.

The remaining balance of £235 may be paid from 1st May. Full payment needs to be made by Friday 5th September 2025.

I will be in touch in the near future to provide more information about the visit but please do not hesitate to contact me in the meantime should you have any questions.

Many thanks

Suzanne Brooke
Y5/6 Phase Leader