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Dear Parents and Carers of Year 6,

Re: Year 6 Go Ape and Sleepover - Friday 18 June

You will be aware that due to ongoing uncertainty with regard to Covid-19 and the associated restrictions, we have had to cancel our usual Year 6 residential trip to Grange Hall.

However, we didn't want to let the children's time with us come to an end without marking it in some way, so on Friday 18th June, Year 6 will be going on a day trip to Go Ape at Alexandra Palace. Following on from this, we are inviting all the children to a sleepover in the school hall, which will be supervised by school staff.

The purpose of this trip and sleepover will be to develop team-building skills, develop independence, further their experiences and provide lasting memories of their time at Moss Hall Junior School.

The total cost for the trip to Go Ape and provisions for the sleepover will be £30 per child. This will cover:

- The Go Ape whole day adventure
- Afternoon snack
- Dinner (vegetable skewers and pasta with a tomato sauce or cheese)
- Dessert
- Supper snacks
- Breakfast

We will travel via the tube to East Finchley and walk to the Alexandra Palace Go Ape site via Cherry Tree Woods and Parkland Walk. Go Ape consists of 3 activities:

- Outdoor escape room
- Gorilla games (team-building games)
- Treetop adventure

The experience will last all day. Children MUST bring a large water bottle, a suitable packed lunch and a healthy morning snack.

Upon returning to school, the children will have snacks and some free time outside, before coming back together to prepare their dinner. A fire pit will be built in the playground, where some of the food will be cooked. The dinner will be veggie skewers and pasta (either with a tomato sauce and cheese or just cheese) and bread. We hope to provide marshmallows for safe toasting by the children too!

Following dinner, there will be more team-building games. At 8pm, the football match (England Vs Scotland) will be shown in the hall and alternative activities will also be provided. The evening will end with a visit from an ice-cream van delivering ice lollies for dessert and some further evening activities.

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All children will sleep in the hall on the gymnastics floor mats. Girls and boys will be separated with members of staff supervising and on call throughout the night. There will be easy access to toilets all night.

The next morning, breakfast will operate from 8-9 am. Your children will have the option of toast with two spreads or two kinds of cereal. Your children will be ready for collection between 9am and 10am.

If your child would like to attend the evening activities but does not want to sleep over this can be arranged. Please speak to Mr Peterson about this. We believe that the whole experience provides a great opportunity for your child to build their independence before heading off to secondary school.

Things to know and bring:

- Children don't need to wear school uniform for the whole day on Friday. Clothes need to be appropriate for Go Ape and for participating in team-building games that require ease of movement (sports clothes are best suited along with PE trainers)
- Children will need to bring a morning snack (preferably a fruit snack), suitable packed lunch and a large water bottle
- Children will not be permitted to bring any electronics with them (this includes any phones, smart watches or games consoles)
- Children are not permitted to bring any evening snacks (no bags of sweets or chocolate snacks, etc)

Kit List:

- A water bottle
- A healthy morning snack and suitable packed lunch for Friday
- A sleeping bag (or a single duvet + duvet cover)
- A warm iumper
- Change of clothes (optional)
- Toothbrush/toothpaste
- Hairbrush (optional)
- Washcloth (optional)

If you need support with paying for this trip, please come and see Mr Peterson, Mrs Mitchell or Mr Craig and we may be able to provide support with this.

Please complete the permission form and make payment via SchoolPing by **Friday 7 May** to secure your child's place. Please note that we require consent and payment by this date in order to confirm our booking with Go Ape for the correct number of participants.

If you have any other questions about this activity, please speak to your child's class teacher or Mr Peterson.

Yours sincerely,

The Year 6 Team