



Year 5 and 6 Residential Trips

Overnight Stay

Aims:

- Why?
- Overview of Kench Hill
- Overview of The Mill
- Costings
- How to pay



Why?

- Resilience and independence
- Bonding and teamwork
- Linked to learning within school
- An important memory for the children
- Part of growing up



A photograph of a two-story brick house with a gabled roof and two chimneys. The house is surrounded by lush greenery, including trees and bushes. In the foreground, there is a well-maintained lawn with several wooden picnic tables and umbrellas. A large, tall plant with white flowers is on the left side. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds.

Year 5 Overnight Stay
Kench Hill
22nd – 24th April, 2026

Where is it?



Kench Hill, Tenterden, Kent

What is Kench Hill like?

- Three storey house belonging to Hackney council for the purpose of providing children from London countryside experiences.
- On private grounds (gardens, fields, allotment, greenhouse, orchard, wooden play area, chicken coops, pond).
- Environmentally friendly (solar panels, harvesting food, eggs from chickens, locally sourced produce, composting and water recycling on site).
- All meals cooked on site (all halal, vegan/vegetarian catered for).

Staffing:

- Miss Cooper
- Miss Lawson
- + 2 LSAs
- More adults dependent on numbers.







The Kench Hill Charity









What will we be doing?

- Parts of the trip will be linked to the WW2 History Unit in Autumn of Y6.
 - Kench Hill was used as a hospital during the war.
- There will also be an environmental focus so we will be experiencing nature as much as possible.
- Exact activities are TBC however may include:
 - A river walk (prepare to get wet!)
 - Local area expedition through farmland and woodland
 - Shelter building
 - Planting and harvesting vegetables and fruit
 - Bread making
 - Feeding the chickens and eating their eggs
 - Bonfire
 - Orienteering
 - Disco













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What are the sleeping arrangements?

- Girls and boys sleep on separate floors and have no reason to visit each others floors for the duration of the visit.
- All rooms sleep groups of children from 3 upwards.
- Bunkbeds and campbeds.
- Bathrooms with showers on each floor.
- Teacher rooms on each floor (ground, 1st, 2nd)

Getting there:

We will travel by coach with *Southgate and Finchley Coaches*.

- Leave school at 8am on Wednesday 22nd April.
- Return to school by 3:30pm on Friday 24th April.



Contact:

The children are not allowed to take phones, tablets or any other messaging devices with them.

Teachers will keep *Class Dojo* updated and texts will be sent out to families with any important updates.

We will take all families contact details with us, in case we need to contact you during the stay.

How to pay?

- Pay on Scopay
- The total price is: £175
- You can pay in instalments or all in one

Total cost: £175

Final Payment Deadline: Friday 27th March, 2026

Deposit: £10 by Friday 31st October, 2025

You can pay in instalments on Scopay beginning on Monday 29th September. If you have any Scopay related questions, please email f.hatipi@westhampstead.camden.sch.uk

If you would like to discuss how we can help financially, please let us know.

We do not want money to be a barrier to any child.



Year 6 Overnight Stay

The Mill

10th – 12th June

Where is it?



The Mill, Forest Green, Dorking

Staffing:

- Miss Philips
- Miss Bones
- + LSAs
- More adults dependent on numbers.











































What is The Mill like?

- Linked to William Ellis Secondary School.
- Run by Alice and Sam.
- Large house with three floors.
- Plenty of green space and room for camping.
- Children spend one night camping and one night in the house.
- There is a football pitch, swing, games room and plenty of open space.

What will we be doing?

- Orienteering
- Nature walk
- Escape Room
- Low Ropes Course
- Shelter Building
- Campfire
- Geocaching

What should you pack?

- Old clothes (you **WILL** get muddy/messy)
- Layers – we'll be outside a lot
- Trainers/walking boots
- Wellies if you have them (can be borrowed)
- Waterproof jacket with hood
- Slippers or comfy shoes for in the house
- A day backpack

What shouldn't you pack?

- Clothes/shoes that you wouldn't want to ruin
- Electronics such as phones, ipods, ipads, DS
- Sweets/crisps/snacks
- Perfume, body spray, spray deodorant
- Expensive cameras (bring a disposable)
- Huge suitcases

How to pay?

- Pay on Scopay
- The total price is: £190
- You can pay in instalments or all in one

Total cost: £190

Final Payment Deadline: Friday 15th May, 2026

Deposit: £10 by Friday 31st October, 2025

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