

Pear Tree Mead Academy

Educating children 2 – 11

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Dear Parents

We know that the children are getting excited about Kingswood, and we thought we would give you some last-minute reminders.

If your child is not going to Kingswood, you receive a separate letter with some information for their week at school.

Kingswood children will need to be at school in the large hall at 8am on Monday morning. They will be given their Kingswood hoodie to wear on that morning. Children will need to hand in their £10 spending money in a named purse or envelope. Any extra money will be returned to parents. Parents will need to hand in any named medicine that the children need to their class teacher. We will then be checking children's bags for any electronics. If any are found, they will be returned to parents, as no electronics are allowed at Kingswood. Any found when we are in Kingswood will be confiscated and returned to parents on Friday. We will be leaving around 8.30am. Parents may wait outside the school to wave the children off.

The weather is looking quite unpredictable. It is important that children have enough clothes with them in case they get wet and need to change. They must have long-sleeved tops and trousers for some of the activities. Children will need a raincoat and more than 1 pair of sensible shoes. They will be visiting the beach as well, so they need to bring swimming kit / clothes to paddle in the sea. Please make sure you pack everything on the packing list, even if you don't think they need it. Please name all items so that children don't lose anything. We will be at Kingswood with other schools and so things may be placed in the central lost property for staff to check.

Children can bring snacks and drinks with them on Monday, but we aim to arrive at Kingswood for them to have their lunch there, so children do not need to bring a packed lunch. Snacks can be brought for the children to enjoy during the week.

We aim to be back at school by 4pm on the Friday but will let you know how we are getting on via Parent mail, due to the Friday traffic. We will meet you outside the main gates of the school for collection. Any lost property will be displayed for parents to look through.

Due to increasing numbers of Covid cases, we are asking children to lateral flow on Sunday before the trip. Children with a positive Covid test result, will not be able to attend. If a child is unwell whilst we are away, they will be required to Covid test. This will initially be a Lateral Flow test and we will ask the children to administer the test themselves. You may want to support your child to do this at home before they come away. If your child tests positive whilst we are away, you will be contacted and you will need to come and collect your child to take them for a PCR test.



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We are asking all children to bring sanitiser with them on the trip and we will be able to top this up. Please also bring a small bag with a water bottle, so that children can carry around their belongings during the activities.

We are very excited about the trip and looking forward to taking your child away. We will post photos on the school website, as often as possible, so that you can see what they have been up to. Sometimes the signal is not great, but we will do our best.

Please ask your child's class teacher if you have any questions before Monday.

Mrs Peden

