

## **Residential message from Miss Battram**

We hope that you are as excited as our students are for the November Residentials!

### **Saying goodbye on the morning of departure**

If coming by private transport, please say goodbye before your child enters their building for registration. Once inside, there will be no further opportunities for hugs and last-minute reminders to brush their teeth. All classes walk straight from their classroom/meeting room and onto their buses. Please look for the sign-posted areas near to the buses if you are staying to wave groups off.

### **Medicines and snacks**

Medicines can be given to our Nursing Team from two weeks before departure or given to the accompanying nurse in the bus park.

Do not give any medicines, vitamins or supplements to your child to take themselves.

Please ensure that any snacks for the journey are completely nut-free.

### **Electronics and GPS trackers**

Residentials are a gadget free zone. Children are not allowed to bring any electronic items except with prior agreement of the Trip Leader. Please give yourself a well-deserved break, and let our excellent staff look after your children. There is no need to add tracking devices to bags. Daily information will be posted on Residential Blogs, and you will always be contacted if there is a problem.

### **Residential wobbles and challenges are normal**

We want every student to arrive back home with funny and exciting stories to share. There will always be more happy moments than sad ones, but your child may want to share a problem or a difficult experience with you.

- Your child may have felt homesick on their first night.
- They may have fallen out with a friend.
- They may have found room-sharing an unexpected source of stress.
- Their talent show plans may have gone terribly, terribly wrong!

Some children bounce back from setbacks quickly whilst others will need help to put things in perspective. If your child does come back with a story that genuinely worries you, please contact the class teacher so that we can support.

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