



Kingswood
Inspiring Learning

Learning Outside the Classroom

Edgewood Primary School

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The National Coal Mining Museum for England provides a great day out with a unique opportunity to travel 140 metres underground down one of Britain's oldest working mines.

Situated in a rural setting, it offers an unusual combination of exciting experiences, whilst providing a genuine insight into the hard-working lives of miners through the ages.



The mine tour



The Museum offers schools an underground tour led by a former miner and lasts about 1 hour and 20 minutes. The tour is always the highlight of any school visit.



- Please complete the permission slip for going down the mine.



Introduction to Kingswood

We support teachers in bringing learning to life and with 30 years' experience, we know what works and we are proud to deliver immersive learning at it's very best.

- Working with 3,500 schools per year and 130,000 students, we are a leading trusted provider of residential trips
- We aim to instil self confidence and a sense of achievement through a positive experience which is educational and enjoyable, challenging and rewarding
- **We know what we are doing!**
 - Founding members of the British Activities Providers Association (BAPA)
 - We hold a 'Learning Outside the Classroom' quality badge and have full accreditation with all relevant agencies



ALTO Association of Language Travel Organisations



Your centre – Peak Venture

With the beautiful Peak District on its doorstep, this friendly and inclusive centre provides the ideal destination for students to experience the great outdoors within a secure environment. Set in nine acres of parkland, the site was originally named 'Scout Dike' after the rural reservoir opposite the centre.



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| 1 Reception | 5 High & low ropes | 9 Climbing |
| 2 Accommodation | 6 Bushcraft | 10 Archery |
| 3 Dining, cinema & disco | 7 Aeroball | 11 Problem solving |
| 4 Quad bikes | 8 Zip wire & abseiling | 12 Raft build |

Your centre – Peak Venture

- Fully supervised water-based activities take place on the adjacent Scout Dike Reservoir
- All our programmes are tailor-made to suit individual needs, requirements and learning outcomes
- Over 40 activities are available, including canoeing, abseiling, 3G swing, giant zipwire and raft building
- Peak Venture's outdoor areas also benefit from external lighting to enable activities to operate all year round
- Can accommodate up to 200 young people in dormitories sleeping 4-8 students



A day full of fun

A typical day at Kingswood runs as follows:

- Breakfast is served between 7.30am and 9am
- First activities start around 9.30am
- 10 minute juice break
- Lunch time allocation between 12pm and 2.30pm
- A full afternoon of activities
- 10 minute juice break
- Evening meal time allocation between 5pm and 7pm
- Evening entertainment from 8pm followed by hot chocolate (on request)
- Lights out by 10.15pm



Kingswood will create a programme to meet specific objectives, needs and learning outcomes.

- Six activity sessions per full day plus one final evening session
- Fully qualified Kingswood activity instructors lead all activities
- Students are encouraged and praised during activities but are NEVER forced to take part if they are not comfortable doing so

While other groups will also be present on centre during our stay, all programmes and activities are conducted separately, unless otherwise stated.

Your programme may include the following activities:

- Climbing
- High ropes
- Archery
- Fencing
- Problem Solving
- Orienteering
- 3G Swing
- Zip Wire
- Abseiling
- Nightline
- Team Challenge



Food glorious food!

It's important for students to maintain high energy levels throughout your stay, so three freshly-prepared, healthy buffet style meals are served daily in the communal dining area.

- All meals are nutritionally balanced and meet the latest Government standards on childrens' meals
- A varied choice is always offered, with both hot and cold meals, a salad bar, at least one vegetarian option and yes, sometimes even chips!
- Plenty of juice and water is available at all times
- Most dietary requirements can be catered for as long as we are told in advance - forms will be issued to the group prior to your visit for this purpose and to establish any medical needs



Bedtime routine

To finish off each day, hot chocolate is served on request before students return to their dorms. Plenty of sleep is required to recharge the batteries, so lights are usually turned out by 10.15pm.



Sleeping – a home away from home!

- All residential dormitories are warm, comfortable and 100% secure
- Girls and boys sleep in separate areas and teachers rooms are located close by to allow for plenty of close supervision
- All bedding is provided at the centre - one of the very first tasks for all students is making up their own beds!
- Separate showers and toilet facilities are available for girls and boys
- Peak Venture can accommodate up to 200 young people in 4-8 bed dormitories.
- Just as at school, Kingswood cannot guarantee 100% safety for personal items brought onto centre and they will not be covered by insurance.

Leave valuables – mobiles, iPods, MP3 players, computer games, jewellery - at home.



Safety and wellbeing

We know how daunting it can be letting your child go on a residential visit, so we do everything we can to make it a safe and enjoyable experience for all.

Our policies and procedures are designed to make sure we adhere to the highest safety standards at all times:

- Continual safety and first aid training for all staff
- Regular checks on equipment before and after every activity session
- Qualified First-Aider on centre 24/7
- All staff are fully DBS checked

We create a warm, supportive environment for students so they quickly feel at home. All our activities are progressive, allowing students to join in at whatever level they're comfortable with.

We have found the best way to help children cope with being away from home is to keep them busy, having fun from dawn 'til dusk.

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Please note

- Bring **old**, comfortable clothes that can get muddy and wet.
- All clothes, shoes, bags, belongings of any kind should be named.
- Please do not bring valuables of any kind. No mobile phones or MP3 players.
- Children can bring cameras
- No aerosol deodorants if possible
- You may bring a small amount of pocket money for the Coal mining museum/souvenir shop (Max £25)
- Healthy food is promoted on centre.
- Juice breaks are provided throughout the day, and provisions made for children with special dietary requirements

Kit list

Please label all clothing



Waterproof coat and trousers



Thick socks (several pairs)

Socks for normal use (several pairs)



Outdoor shoes (trainers or walking boots)

Indoor shoes (slippers)

Wellington boots

Trousers (tracksuit trousers are ok NOT jeans)



T-shirts (lots)

Warm jumpers/sweatshirts/fleeces



Nightwear

Underwear

Wash kit

Towels (at least 2)

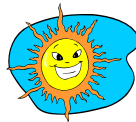
Medicines- named and handed to Mrs. Moore



Sun hat

Sun cream

Lip balm



Torch

Camera- Not a phone



Water bottle

Packed lunch for the first day



Money

(No more than £25)

Please DO NOT bring radios/mp3 players/mobile phones



You may like to bring a reading book, an activity book or comic for the journey and the evenings.



Children are able to bring some sweets to eat during the stay. These will be stored safely and distributed at appropriate times.

Please DO NOT SEND TOO MANY and put these in a labelled, re-sealable container or bag.



NO FOOD IS ALLOWED IN THE DORMITORIES AT ANY TIME

Parent packs

Parental Consent Form – permission

- contact number
- dietary requirements
- medical information

National Coal Mining Museum – consent

Kit list

Kingswood photography permission

**PLEASE RETURN TO SCHOOL BY FRIDAY 29TH
SEPTEMBER**

Deadline for final payments

Medicines and special dietary requirements



Nottinghamshire
County Council

Appendix 3 Confidential Parental Consent Form (to be distributed with full details of the visit)

1. Consent for participation in the visit

Visit to: _____

Date(s)/Times: _____ From: _____ To: _____

I agree to my son/daughter _____ (name) taking part in the above-mentioned visit and, having read the information provided, agree to his/her participation in any or all of the activities* described. I acknowledge the need for obedience and responsible behaviour on his/her part. I understand that there is some level of risk in every activity but that this visit will be managed to minimise the risks involved. I understand the extent and limitations of the insurance cover provided. I understand that as part of the planned transport arrangements, or in emergency, it may be necessary for participants to be transported in staff vehicles.

* If there are any activities in which your child cannot participate, please give details:

I give permission for my son/daughter's name to be included in the collective passport to be held by the group leader
YES/NO/NOT APPLICABLE

Name of medication	Dosage	Times of day or circumstances to be given	Method of administration

Any questions?

Thank you

**Please talk to us if you
have any questions or
concerns.**