



# WEST HILL SCHOOL

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September 2024

## Rockley multi-activity trip – August 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

I am pleased to announce that we are running a multi-activity residential trip to **Buddens Activity Centre** in Dorset, in August 2025. The trip is organised by **Rockley Activities**, who have been running trips since 1976 and are an organisation that we have worked with for many years. The trip is open to boys who are currently in years 7, 8, 9 and 10.

<b>Dates</b>	Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> August 2025 to Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2025		
<b>Location</b>	Buddens Activity Centre, Dorset, England		
<b>Cost</b>	£715 per student (plus spending money)		
<b>Trip includes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Coach travel</li> <li>▪ Personalised hoodie</li> <li>▪ Travel insurance</li> <li>▪ Three meals per day at the Rockley centre</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ All accommodation, activities and equipment</li> <li>▪ Evening entertainment</li> <li>▪ Entry to Dorset Adventure Park</li> <li>▪ Day sailing at Rockley Point</li> </ul>	
<b>Sample activities</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Abseiling</li> <li>▪ Archery</li> <li>▪ Canoeing</li> <li>▪ Climbing</li> <li>▪ Crate Stacking</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Disc Golf</li> <li>▪ High Ropes</li> <li>▪ Kayaking</li> <li>▪ Mega Paddle Boards</li> <li>▪ Mud Trail</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Raft Building</li> <li>▪ Sailing</li> <li>▪ Paddle Boarding</li> <li>▪ Tomahawk Throwing</li> <li>▪ Zip Wire</li> </ul>

In order to share further details, there will be an **information evening** held in the **school hall** on **Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September, between 6pm – 7pm**. There will be a presentation from Rockley, as well as from school staff, with a chance to ask any questions you have about the trip.

Either before or after the information evening, if your son wishes to attend the trip, please follow the link or QR code below to complete the short Microsoft Form:

<https://forms.office.com/e/spYNSLrpvZ>



We anticipate a high level of interest in this trip and there are currently 50 places available. If there are more applications than spaces, a random ballot of names will take place.

The form will be open until **Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September**. I will be in touch shortly after this date to confirm your son's place, or otherwise, and share further details regarding payments, which will all be paid through the SchoolGateway app.



The payment schedule will be as follows:

Payment	Amount	Due by
1	£115	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024
2	£200	Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> December 2024
3	£200	Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> March 2025
4	£200	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May 2025

For further information and details, please follow the links below:

- Buddens Activity Centre - <https://rockley.org/centres/buddens-activity-centre>
- Information for parents/carers - <https://www.rockley.org/school-trips/parents>
- Sample activity programme - <https://rockley.org/school-trips/multi-activity-trips/uk-school-residential-trips>

The links below take you to videos of the centre, accommodation and some of the activities:

- Virtual tour of the centre - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FvpUUDN6nbo>
- Activities video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vF9ES9O64VU>
- Accommodation video - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=g3OE08WIE7Q>
- Mud Trail <https://www.dorsetadventurepark.com/dorset-mud-trail/>
- Waterpark inflatables\* - <https://www.dorsetadventurepark.com/dorset-water-park/>  
(\*in order to go on the water park, boys must be able to swim 25m unaided)

A copy of this letter can be found on the school website, in the **School Life > Co-curricular > Trips** section, which is where other documentation will be saved before the trip.

<https://www.westhillschool.co.uk/page/?title=Rockley+Adventure+Trip&pid=124>

If you would like to discuss any elements of this trip or have any questions, please get in touch on 0161 338 2193 or by email at [lawton@westhillschool.co.uk](mailto:lawton@westhillschool.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

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