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Dear Parents and Carers,

Outdoor Week 2017

Following on from the success of last year's event and the recent Outward Bound Trips in years 5 and 6, I am writing to inform you that the week beginning 3rd July 2017 will be Outdoor Week. Outdoor Week is an important part of our curriculum that builds from the outdoor learning area and Forest School of Nursery and Reception and ends in our Outward Bound trips in years 5 and 6.

A range of activities have been organised for each year group which are aimed at allowing children to see their classroom learning in context and challenging them physically and socially in order that they improve their determination, resilience, team working and problem solving skills.



Below is a summary of some of the activities that have been organised for each year group. For some activities, further information will follow from class teachers and for climbing and off site activities we will ask permission for your child to participate. **The cost of Outdoor Week is £5 per child.** Please return the £5 with the completed slip below. No further money will be requested for any activity (other than towards the Year 4 sleepover). As always, if we do not receive enough money we may have to cancel or reduce the planned activities. I hope that you will join us in encouraging your child to make the most of this fantastic opportunity.

We will be continuing to work with Ben Bullen Adventures this year. Ben is based and Sidcup and his company provide high quality outdoor learning experiences for schools and youth groups right across South London. His highly trained team will be delivering a range of experiences in the outside environment.

Year Group	Planned Activities
N	Forest School, Ben Bullen, JC Pets and Rubicon Scootering
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1	Orienteering, Ben Bullen activities, JC Pets and Rubicon Scootering
2	Orienteering, Ben Bullen activities, JC Pets and Rubicon Scootering
3	Orienteering, Ben Bullen activities, team building activities and JC Pets
4	Orienteering, climbing, canoeing, outdoor activities with Ben Bullen and JC Pets
5	Orienteering offsite, climbing, canoeing, team building activities and JC Pets
6	Orienteering offsite, climbing, canoeing, team building activities and JC Pets

In the spirit of outdoor learning, the planned activities will go ahead in all but the very worst weather. To that end, children should ensure that they are dressed appropriately for the forecast. Waterproof jackets and sensible robust shoes are a must. The children are likely to get a little dirty too so the school uniform rules will be relaxed through the week. Children can wear older clothes, trainers, tracksuit bottoms, shorts, and jumpers as appropriate to the forecast.



Kind regards,

Mrs Jilly Jeffries
KS1 Phase Leader

Outdoor Week, 3rd to 7th July 2017

Name of child _____ Class _____

I enclose £5 towards to cost of Outdoor Week (*cash, or cheque payable to 'Upland Primary School' please*)

Please ensure that your payment is in a named and sealed envelope.

Signed _____ Date _____

