

22<sup>nd</sup> November 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

**Year 6 Residential Trip – 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November 2022**  
**Flatford Mill Field Study Centre, East Bergholt**

The school has arranged an ‘Outdoor Learning/Adventure’ week at Flatford Mill Field Study Centre for our 2022 Year 6 pupils from 14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> November. This will be an exciting opportunity for the children to see, explore and engage with the outdoors. The trip supports the Year 6 curriculum with a focus on Geography and Science.

Flatford Mill is on the River Stour close to the Suffolk-Essex border. The Centre buildings, particularly the Mill and Willy Lott's House, are instantly recognisable since they feature in many paintings by John Constable. The Centre is at the end of a lane which has no through traffic. It offers visitors of all ages a much sought-after sense of tranquillity to complement a unique learning environment.

Included in the trip:

- Tuition by members of the Field Study Centre’s Education Team Staff
- Accommodation for 4 nights
- All meals and refreshments for 5 days, including special dietary requirements.
- Use of the Centre’s communal facilities, including recreation spaces and common rooms.
- Access to risk assessed field sites, including many not accessible to the general public.
- Field Study Centre insurance cover for individuals in case of last minute cancellation due to illness or other special circumstances.

The environment is at the heart of everything at Flatford Mill FSC. The children will see, explore and learn in a fun, engaging manner by immersing themselves in the natural world, taking in its sights, sounds and smells and getting their hands dirty.

This trip has been booked during 'off peak' season and we have therefore been able to keep the cost of the visit to £175. This can be paid in instalments via Arbor between now and 14<sup>th</sup> October 2022. The first instalment of £35 will secure your child's place on the visit; we ask that this is paid by Friday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2022.

Restrictions permitting, I will be running a short introduction session about the visit on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 3.25pm in Oaks Class. I will be able to talk about many aspects of the proposed visit and answer initial questions. In the meantime please visit our website for more information; we have an introductory [video](#) and you can also find a daily blog from this year's Year 6 visit by going to 'Parents' – 'Latest News' and scrolling down to the Flatford updates.

Yours faithfully,

Mr David Sandford  
Deputy Headteacher