

ALDER COPPICE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Achievement through Commitment

Headteacher: Mr P Mandelstam

17 November 2025

Dear Parents,

YEAR 6 RESIDENTIAL VISIT - 2026

Thank you for returning the Residential Visit Forms and for the financial amounts that have been indicated that you will pay towards the visits.

Although the School has already included a significant subsidy towards the visit before putting the cost out to parents, there is still a shortfall of £1,970 between the amount parents have said that they will pay and the actual cost of the visit.

We would really like the children to have the opportunity to experience the residential as we know how excited many of them have been, so the School will provide the additional subsidy, therefore we are pleased to inform you that it is our intention to go ahead with both visits.

The payment system (via +Pay) opens at **10am Wednesday 19 November**, and you may choose to pay in one go or in instalments of any amount between now and **10am Tuesday 28 April**, allowing 5 months for payment to be made. The £150 non-refundable deposit must be paid by **10am 2 February 2026**. Should you have any issues relating to payments please contact Mrs Barwell in the office, either by telephone or email – admin@alder.dudley.sch.uk before the deadline.

As previously indicated, once parents have committed to paying a certain amount, we need these to be honoured as we have costed the whole visit for everyone based on the promised contributions. Failure to honour the full amount you have indicated will most likely mean your child's place on the visit being withdrawn.

Please also remember that parents and children must abide by the Code of Conduct and Acceptable Items List. The School reserves the right to remove from the visit any child whose behaviour either in school over the months leading up to the visit or during the visit is not in line with our Behaviour Code or presents a danger to either themselves or others. Parents must be able to come and collect their child from Wales if required. If notified by 4pm then it must be later that day, if it is after 4pm then first thing the next morning.

Please remember to put the following date in your diary, as at least one parent/carer of each child going must attend the full briefing meeting on **Wednesday 22 April 2026 between 5pm and 6pm** (Please note that this meeting will be for parents only). We will not take children on the residential visit if an adult has not attended this briefing in full.

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I have included below another copy of the key dates relating to the residential, which were shared with you on the Y6 Important Dates letter. This includes the important pupil briefing meetings, which children going on the visit, will need to be in school for.

Yours sincerely,

Peter Mandelstam

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Headteacher

Residential Visit Key Dates

10am Wednesday 19 November	Payment window opens
2026	
10am Monday 2 February	Deadline for non-refundable payment of £150 to be paid.
Wednesday 22 April	Children attending the visit need to be in school as they will have their Residential Briefing during the day, discussing the final Itinerary, groups and rooms.
	5pm – 6pm Meeting for parents. (At least one adult must attend this meeting if your child is going on the Residential. We will not take children if at least one adult does not attend this meeting as it will include essential medical and health and safety information). The meeting is for parents only. Children/siblings cannot be brought with you on this occasion.
Tuesday 28 April 10am	Deadline for return of Medical/Information Form. Deadline for full payment to be made. Deadline for orders for Hoodies.
Thursday 21 May	Children will have a morning briefing where they will select their food preferences for some meals (it is important that all children attending the visit are present otherwise they will not be able to make a selection and the School will do so for them).
Wednesday 3 June	Children attending the visit need to be in school as they will have their final Residential Briefing during the day, including information on health and safety. Children will also need to bring any spending money in on this day.
Monday 8 June – Friday 12 June	6C go to Wales. <i>Arrive at school between 7am and 7.10am</i> <i>Friday collection at 7pm.</i>
Monday 15 June – Friday 19 June	6A go to Wales. <i>Arrive at school between 7am and 7.10am</i> <i>Friday collection at 7pm.</i>
