

Robinwood Information Evening

Wednesday 22nd March 2023



Maes-y-Nant, Cross Lanes, Wrexham



Why have we chosen to move RobinWood to Year 5?

- COVID gave us the opportunity to reassess the offer on trips and we decided Ingleborough was more suited to Year 6 and Robinwood is perfect for Year 5
- RobinWood is a purpose built activity centre designed for Upper Key Stage 2 pupils.
- We didn't want to lose RobinWood from our outdoor offer
- The enjoyment of the children.
- Continue to build friendships across the year.



Maes y Nant

Our Maes y Nant activity centre is based in Marchwiel, a small town just outside Wrexham.

Maes y Nant dates back to the late Victorian era when it was built as a private house around 1870. Its name translates to 'house by a stream'. In 1959 Maes y Nant was sold and converted to a hotel with many of its original features being preserved to this day. The centre stands in 8 acres of grounds.

We have created a shallow sheltered lake next to the activity centre, which provides the ideal environment for adventurers to do and Canoeing. It is designed so that you are always close to the bank, but is big enough to run challenging activity sessions, developing new skills and having plenty of fun at the same time.

Our purpose built high activities building houses a Climbing Wall, Trapeze area and Crate Challenge room. We have a purpose built high wires Challenge Course and three different themed problem solving areas; Quest, the Dungeon and Piranha Pool - our staff team love developing these areas to ensure the challenges really capture your imagination when taking part.

Within our accommodation, you sleep in dormitories with between 2-12 beds. Maes y Nant can cater for up to 170 adventurers at a time.

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Residential Experience

- Enjoyment



Quotes taken from the Year 6 forum

Highlight of Year 6...

Mine would be Robin Wood as well. I loved every single activity they were all fun and exciting!!!

My favourite memory of Year 6, so far, has probably been RobinWood because it was really fun and I got to know more about people that I don't usually talk to or play with at school.

My highlight of year six, was RobinWood because I made friends with people, who I thought were boring and no fun, but they were really fun and not at all boring!

My highlight of Year 6 so far has to be going to Robinwood because I had lots of fun. I enjoyed all of the activities.

My favourite part of Year 6 was when we went to Robinwood because it was a great adventure!

Residential Experience



- Enjoyment
- Confidence building
- Challenges
- Decision making
- Social skills
- National curriculum

Robinwood Activity Centre



- Wide range of activities
- Location
- Safety
- Organisation
- Supervision

Robinwood Visit

- Dates – 20th November to 22nd November 2023
- Total cost - £220
- Rooms
- Food



Maes y Nant Menu

Day One

Break time snacks are provided and additional fruit is always available.

Hot Chocolate and a biscuit are served on both evenings.

We aim to provide healthy meals that will appeal to the children in order they get the energy intake they need to fuel their three days at Robinwood.

Lunch

Cheese and Tomato Pizza
Crisps
Biscuit
Fruit available

Evening Meal

Baked Potato (with choice of fillings)
Pasta Bolognese
Tomato Pasta
Salad available
Ice Cream

Day Two

Breakfast

Sausage
Vegetarian Sausage
Mini potato waffles
Beans
Toast
Choice of Cereals
Fruit available

Lunch

Chicken Burger
Hotdog
Sandwich with filling
(cheese, ham, tuna or jam)
Muffin
Fruit

Evening Meal

Fish Fingers and Chips
Curry and Rice
Peas and Sweetcorn available
Cookie

Day Three

Breakfast

Sausage
Vegetarian Sausage
Mini potato waffles
Beans
Toast
Choice of Cereals
Fruit available

Lunch

Sausage Roll
Cheese and Onion Pasty
Crisps
Fruit
Biscuit

There is always a vegetarian option and we regularly cater for special diets such as coeliac disease (gluten free), lactose free, dairy free and halal.

Please let us know in advance of any dietary needs.

Activities

- 15 activities in 3 days



Robinwood Maes y Nant - Lake Group

Baildon C of E Primary School - 21 November 2022

An updated version of your timetable will be provided two weeks before your start date.



Mon

Lunch 12:10 to 12:40	Climbing 12:50 to 14:00	Canoeing 14:10 to 15:20	Caving 15:30 to 16:40	Giant Swing 16:50 to 18:00	Evening Meal 18:10 to 19:10	Team Challenge 19:20 to 20:30
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Tue

Breakfast 07:30 to 08:00	Archery 08:40 to 09:50	Quest 10:00 to 11:20	Lunch 11:30 to 12:30	Night Line 12:40 to 13:50	High Ropes (Challenge Course) 14:00 to 15:10	Crate Challenge 15:20 to 16:40	Evening Meal 16:50 to 17:50	Trapeze 18:00 to 19:10	Team Challenge 19:20 to 20:30
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Breakfast 08:10 to 08:40	Dungeon 08:50 to 10:00	Zip Wire 10:10 to 11:20	Piraniha Pool 11:30 to 12:40	Lunch 13:10 to 13:40
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Please note that timings for activities and showers are for guidance purposes only and may vary.

Outdoor activities
Indoor activities
Outdoor water activities
Partially covered activities



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Archery

Following an introduction and demonstration, children receive individual coaching for their first arrows until they have the skills needed to get arrows on target.



Climbing

Purpose built indoor climbing walls create the safest possible environment for young people to be introduced to climbing.





Caving

Specially designed indoor caving systems at all of our centres are constructed for realism and adventure, but also to introduce the activity at just right the right level.



At Maes y Nant our Challenge Course is a fantastic ariel ropes course. Tackle a series of physical challenges high above the centre grounds.

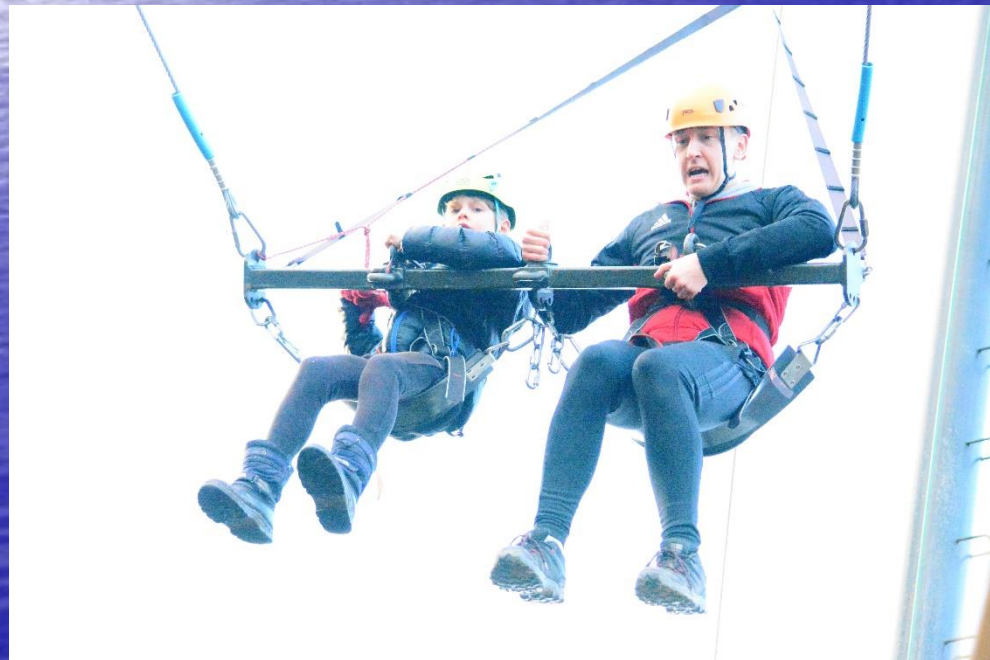




Giant Swing

Adventure and teamwork combine on the Giant Swing. Two children wearing harnesses go on the swing together, and swing through the air!











Quest

There are a series of problems for each activity group to overcome and if they can manage to do this the Quest is achieved.



Night Line

With blindfold in place the children put one hand on the rope and then follow it wherever it goes. It goes to all sorts of interesting places!





This session involves different 'crystal maze' type challenges, going back and forth across our 'piranha pool', without falling in.



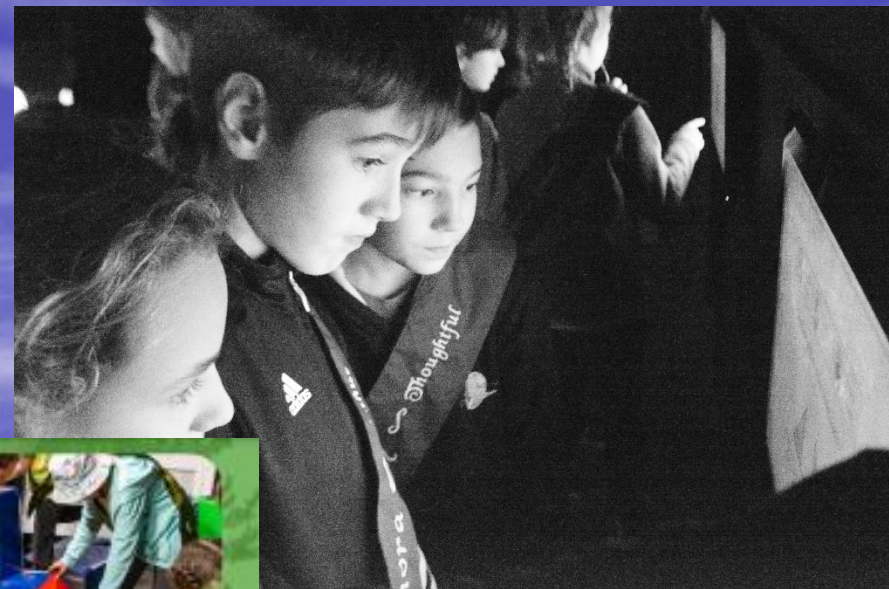


Canoeing

Canoeing takes place on very sheltered shallow water, with the children close to the bank at all times. The Canadian canoes used are very stable and accommodate up to 3 children in each canoe.







Dungeon

The group need to escape from the Dungeon; a place full of cobwebs, spooky noises, skeletons and other horrors. They can only do this through excellent teamwork.





Team Challenge

In Team Challenge we get a number of activity groups together for various inter-group challenges.

Sample Programme

Day 1

your adventure begins!

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Arrival - 11:00am
Settle in
Lunch
Crate Challenge
Canoeing
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Evening Meal
Archery
Night Line
Hot Chocolate
& Review

Day 2

a full day of fun!

Breakfast
Piranha Pool
Challenge Course
Giant Swing
Lunch
Zip Wire
Climbing
Trapeze
Evening Meal
Team Challenge
Team Challenge
Hot Chocolate
& Review

Day 3

the last challenges...

Breakfast
Quest
Dungeon
Caving
Lunch
Departure - 3:00pm

Times will be confirmed to visiting groups. Wake ups is around 7am
and lights out (and sleep!) is at 10pm at the latest.
The activity programme offered varies,
to some extent, according to weather conditions.

Activities

- 15 activities in 3 days
- Safety and supervision
- LEA all risks insurance



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- 1x** Robinwood survival kit (provided)
(Waterproof cagouls, over trousers, warm fleeces and watersports footwear are all provided.)
- 3x** T-shirts (no vests please)
- 3x** Sweatshirts/Long sleeve tops
- 3x** Pairs of trousers
- 1x** Pair of shorts (knee length or longer please)
- 6x** Pairs of underwear
- 6x** Pairs of socks
- 1x** Pair of outdoor shoes/boots
- 2x** Towels
- 1x** Coat, ideally waterproof (for walking to centre)
- 1x** Warm hat
- 1x** Pair of gloves
- 1x** Set of pyjamas
- 1x** Bag of toiletries
- 1x** Black bin liner

Essentials

- OLD clothing
- No valuables
- Souvenirs
- Pocket money
- No phones



Next steps

- Decision
- Deposit £50 by 2nd June 2023
- Medical details
- www.robinwood.co.uk



Payment options

- Pay online – <http://www.schoolmoney.co.uk>
- You can pay in instalments throughout the year.
- Final balance needs to be paid by **6th October 2023**



Any questions?