

**Oxenwood Outdoor Education
Centre, Marlborough
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Oxenwood RESIDENTIAL, 2022

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EXPERIENCE & ENTHUSIASM!

Members of Staff

Mrs Barratt

Mrs Crichard


Mrs Barker

Mr Crichard



27 children from Year 3 Cherry Class

RISK ASSESSMENT

- DfE and LA criteria followed
 - Generic Risk Assessment by Oxenwood EC
 - School Risk Assessment
 - LGB and Trust Board awareness
 - Insurance
 - Regular daily risk assessments by centre
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SAFETY & BEHAVIOUR

- School Behaviour Policy applies.
 - Contract between parents and school.
 - Children abide by Centre rules.
 - Expectations will be high at all times.
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MEDICAL ARRANGEMENTS

- Clearly label all medication and hand to Mrs Crichard
- Calpol/Paracetamol
- Asthma inhalers should be with the children at all times.

► What is Oxenwood ?



Our site nestles in the heart of Wiltshire's, **North Wessex Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty**, steeped in interesting history, geography and wildlife. Nearby we have excellent access to local places of interest such as the **Kennet and Avon Canal**, **Crofton Beam Engine** pumping station, **Wilton Windmill** and **Stonehenge**.

We have a small team of dedicated instructors who focus on groups learning and safety. Striving to provide an environment which helps young people to develop their core skills, **from building their self-esteem, to effective communication and recognising their individual personal strengths.**

Our activities are centred around **teamwork** and **communication**. Building **resilience** and giving young people the opportunity to set their own measurable goals and celebrate their **achievements**.

All of our outdoor education programmes are made bespoke to meet groups needs, learning objectives and outcomes. Our activities range from outdoor adventure to environmental and historical theme days, encompassing Leadership, PSHE History and Literacy topics.

► A home away from home

Healthy eating contributes significantly to the lives of children and young people. At Oxenwood, we ensure your pupils receive three healthy, balanced meals a day. Ingredients are fresh and locally sourced giving each child all the energy they need to enjoy their action-packed adventure. All our guests get provided with their essential five-a-day.

Children will be staying in dorm rooms. There are 3 rooms for 6 children each and one big dorm which can sleep up to 20 children. There is a bathroom adjacent for night use; otherwise children will shower in separate shower blocks on the ground floor.

Adult dorms are situated next to the children's accommodation.

















► A home away from home

Understanding the Importance of Chores and Freetime.

Here at Oxenwood we believe that the boring mundane chores and duties of daily life can be a profound benefit to many young people. You may just find that these new found skills transfer over into other areas of a child's development; an opportunity to take responsibility can lead to increased self esteem, which in turn can lead to better team working, or better independent thinking and a thirst to better themselves, both academically as well as socially.

Please note that it is the groups' responsibility to serve meals and to wash up afterwards, any dishes, plates, cups etc used during mealtimes, and to put them away in the appropriate locations. Any dishes, pots and pans used during the cooking of the meals shall be the responsibility of the centres' catering staff to wash up.

Understanding the Importance of Chores and Freetime.

	Washing Up	Drying Up and Putting Away	Clearing Tables and Sweeping Up	Tidying the Drying Room
Meal One (evening meal day one)	Slugs 	Spiders 	Maggots 	Worms 
Meal Two (breakfast day two)	Worms 	Slugs 	Spiders 	Maggots 
Meal Three (evening meal day two)	Maggots 	Worms 	Slugs 	Spiders 
Meal Four (breakfast day three)	Spiders 	Maggots 	Worms 	Slugs 

Practical Arrangements

- Please drop off at Oxenwood at 9.30am Wednesday 22nd June
- Children should have a small rucksack containing: water bottle, lunch for day 1, sun cream, sun hat,
- Suitcase – flat and with wheels are good!
- Pick up from Oxenwood at 2pm on Friday 24th June

SUGGESTED KIT LIST

Essential

- Strong boots or shoes/trainers for walking and outdoor use (new shoes should be broken in first)
- Indoor shoes/trainers or slippers
- Trousers, 2 pairs at least – we recommend trousers over shorts due to the risk of stinging nettles and biting insects. Preferably sports or outdoor type trousers, not jeans.
- T-Shirts
- Underwear and Socks – enough for the duration of the visit plus a spare pair.
- Nightwear (pyjamas/nightdress)
- Warm jumpers/tops
- Warm coat/jacket/anorak
- Waterproof jacket/anorak (the centre has a limited number that may be borrowed)
- Sleeping bag and pillowcase
- Towel
- Toiletries
- Packed Lunch from home for your first day of your visit, all other meals will be provided.
- **Plastic** reusable drinks container/bottle - we recommend a one litre capacity bottle that can be refilled each day

Desirable

- Wellingtons (the centre has a limited number for loan)
- Your own cycle helmet and/or gloves if you have them (**only if doing cycling activity**)
- Small rucksack (the centre can provide these)
- Torch with batteries

SUGGESTED KIT LIST

All clothing to be of a type that you are happy to get a bit dirty – please do not bring anything you are worried about getting dirty or damaged – we accept no responsibility for any damage.

It is advisable that pupils keep one change of clothes dry and clean to wear inside the Centre and at least one change of clothes to wear outside whilst doing activities. (Note: Outdoor clothes can be dried overnight in the Centre's drying room, ready to wear the following day).

All items should be carefully labelled with the owner's name. It is suggested that anything of value, e.g. Ipods, jewellery, or expensive cameras or watches, not be brought to Oxenwood.

We kindly request that Students do not bring mobile phones to Oxenwood.

Proposed Programme

Day One	
09:30 – 10:00 am	Arrival at Centre, safety talk
10:30 –	Activity Briefing – Secret Agent Training
Split into two groups	
Group A – Cycle Skills	
Group B – Rifle Shooting	
12:00 noon	Lunch (packed Lunch from home)
12:30	Session Two
Group A – Rifle Shooting	
Group B – Cycle Skills	
15:00 –	Orienteering (all together)
16:30	Bags to rooms settle in, fire drill.
17:00	Evening meal, Children’s duties and free time
20:00	Night walk – Spooky Alley
21:30	Return to Centre and bed

Day Two

08:00am Breakfast and Children's duties

09:00am daily briefing in main hall

Session one – Obstacle Course

10:00 Climbing Wall

11:30 Code Breaking

12:00 noon lunch provided by Oxenwood

12:30 Map work, plotting routes

Mission briefing; Navigation Exercise

17:00 Evening meal and Children's duties

19:00 survival skills – Shelter building and campfire skills

21:00 prepare for bed

Day Three

08:00 am Breakfast and Children's duties

Pack bags and clear dorms

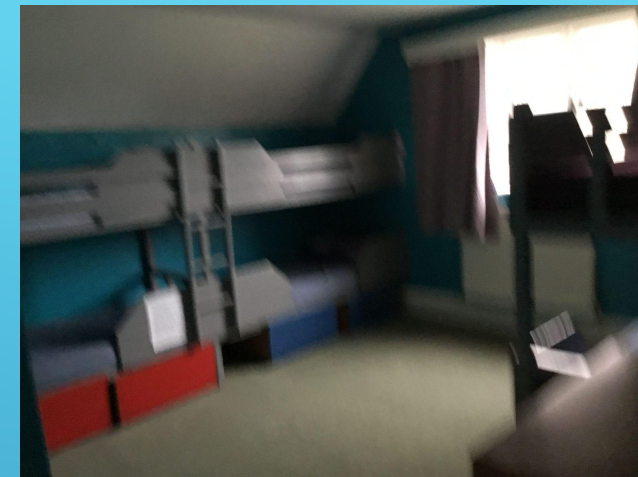
10:00 am Outdoor Problem Solving

12:00 noon Lunch

Pick up from 13:30














ANY QUESTIONS?

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