

3rd September 2025

Dear Parent/ Carer

YEAR SIX: ROCK UK RESIDENTIAL TRIP – 6th - 8th July 2026

We are very excited to be able to offer our annual residential trip to ROCK UK Frontier Centre for our Year Six students again next year.

We would like to explain why we are asking for payment at this early stage. ROCK UK's payment terms are such that we have already had to pay a substantial sum, with another large payment due in the middle of September. We therefore need to ensure that enough children will take part in the trip to make it viable.

TRIP DETAILS

This is a three-day, two-night residential trip to ROCK UK Frontier Centre, Irthlingborough. The trip provides children with the opportunity to take part in a range of outdoor activities. The Centre is self-contained and provides excellent facilities and an exciting and challenging activity programme. This trip offers children the important opportunity to gain independence and have fun outside of the normal school setting. ROCK UK also provides good value for money in comparison to similar residential centres.

DATES

There will be three days of activity programmes for the children from Monday 6th July to Wednesday 8th July 2026.

ACTIVITIES

During the children's stay, they will be given the opportunity to experience a programme of adventure activities. These will be confirmed in a follow-up newsletter. Activities are taught by the Centre's own staff, who hold the relevant teaching and health & safety qualifications. In addition, class teachers lead activities in the evenings, such as a campfire. Needless to say, the children's health and safety are paramount throughout the residential.

ACCOMMODATION

Our accommodation is in bedrooms sleeping between two and five children, all with en-suite facilities. Our staff members are accommodated in the same corridors as the children. The catering is full board and the Centre's kitchen can cater for any medical dietary requirements.

COST AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

The total cost for this trip will be approximately £290. If we are able to secure the maximum number of pupils on this trip, we may be able to reduce the overall cost for everyone. This is because accommodation costs are based on economies of scale and ROCK UK operates on a price bracket system based on the number of rooms required.

In order to confirm the final price and to calculate whether we can negotiate any further reduction with the accommodation, we need **confirmation and a non-refundable deposit of £100 by 19th September 2025**. Places will be allocated on a first-come, first served basis. In the event that we have insufficient numbers to make the trip viable, we would unfortunately have to cancel and, in those circumstances, deposits would be refunded.

We recognise the current financial pressures on many families and are keen that the children get to experience this residential trip with their friends during their final year at Crosshall Junior School. As such, we are able to offer a three-stage payment scheme, as follows:

**non-refundable deposit of £100 required to secure your child's place by 19th September 2025;
second payment of £100 due by 1st December 2025;
final payment of £90 (approximately) due by 1st February 2026.**

If you foresee problems in making payments, please do speak to the school office. We may be able to offer further help (such as payment in instalments) on a case-by-case basis.

I am delighted to invite you to attend an information session at Crosshall Junior School on **Tuesday 9th September 3.30-4.00pm**. The presentation will take place in the school hall and you will need to enter via the main office. ROCK UK's website, www.rockuk.org/centres/frontier-centre may be of use if you wish to gain more information about the Centre. If you would like to attend the information session, please indicate this on the reply slip.

Should we have any concerns about your child's behaviour, we will contact you to discuss their place on trips. We reserve the right not to take any student, whose behaviour is considered in any way antisocial or unsafe. The Academy is required to undertake a risk assessment for all trips and visits. We cannot allow any student to take part in an activity unless any risk involved is assessed as being low. Details of the trips and our expectations will be conveyed to students via assemblies and during class time.

If your child decides that they do not want to attend the residential visit, we will expect them to come to school as usual that week.

The Year Six class teachers hope your child chooses to come to The Frontier Centre, as it provides them with wonderful opportunities for their self-development and bonding with their peers. Year on year, we see the children flourish on our residential trips, enjoying the activities and time with their friends and teachers.

Yours sincerely
Angela Connor
Head of Upper School

Year Six Residential Visit to ROCK UK 2026

The deadline to secure your child's place on this trip is **Friday 19th September**.

- When paying online, please tick the consent box and you will **NOT** need to return this slip. Please could you return the slip if you **DO NOT** wish your child to attend.

Child's name: Class:

I do not wish my child to attend.

Signed: (Parent/Carer) Date: / /

Year Six ROCK UK Information Session – Tuesday 9th September 3:30-4.00pm

Please return to your child's teacher by **Monday 8th September**

Child's name: Class:

I/We will attend the online information session on **Tuesday 9th September 3:30-4:00pm**

Signed: (Parent/Carer)