Robinwood

Firstly, thank you for allowing your child to go to Robinwood!

The children always have a fantastic time on the annual residential and it does wonders for their confidence and independence!







Going & Returning

- ✓ Children arrive at Leverhulme for 8:45am as usual on Monday 20th October. Someone will greet them to put their bags safely until the coach arrives.
- ✓ Leverhulme departure on Monday 20th October at 09:30 (arrival at Robinwood approx. 10:45)
- ✓ Arrival back to Leverhulme on Wednesday 22nd October for children to be collected at approx.15:15 (departing Robinwood at 13:30)



Code of conduct for children at Robinwood

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Challenge yourself

Be a good team member

Take responsibility for your own property and jobs

Be helpful to others

Respect other people's privacy and property

Be a good ambassador for your school

Robinwood Activity Centre is at Dobroyd Castle, Todmorden in Yorkshire.

When we arrive, this is what we will see.





**It is important that you are dressed appropriately with suitable footwear for an initial walk to the centre (Approx 1-2 miles). **

Accommodation

These are examples of where you might sleep. The bedrooms all have a name to help you remember which one you are.





This is a bedroom door with the name on it.





The bedroom areas have themes to help me find my room.

There are helpful instructions inside the bedrooms.



If you need help in the night, you can press a button that tells the Robinwood night staff that you need somebody. It won't wake anybody else up in your room if you press it.



Accommodation



The toilets all have locks on the door.

The toilets at your bedroom look like this.



The toilets and showers you will use in the day time look like this.









Accommodation

Dobroyd Castle
Ground Floor

robin wood Activity Centres



Cottage



Castle

Entrance



- Children's Rooms
- Teachers' Rooms/Area
- Toilets/Shower Area
- Dining Rooms
- Session Areas

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Activities

These are examples of the activities you might do whilst at Robinwood.

Archery: You will learn to shoot a bow and arrow and play lots of fun archery games.





Canoeing: For canoeing you will wear a buoyancy aid and a helmet to keep you safe.





Activities

Giant Swing & Zip Line







Challenge Course







Activities

Climbing





Crate Challenge & Trapeze







An Example Timetable

No packed lunch is needed for the first day

Monday

Lunch 11:50 to 12:20	Raft Building 13:10 to 14:40	Caving 14:50 to 15:50	Quest 16:00 to 17:00	Dungeon 17:10 to 18:20	Evening Meal 18:20 to 19:20	Team Challenge 19:20 to 20:40

Tuesday

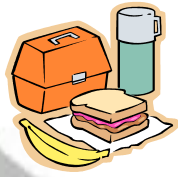
Breakfast 08:20 to 09:00	Giant Swing 09:10 to 10:30	Trapeze 10:40 to 11:50	Lunch 11:50 to 12:50	Archery 13:00 to 14:10	Crate Challenge 14:20 to 15:40	Night Line 15:50 to 17:00	Evening Meal 17:10 to 18:10	Piranha Pool 18:20 to 19:40	Team Challenge 19:40 to 20:50

Wednesday

Breakfast 07:30 to 08:10	Zip Wire 08:50 to 10:00	Climbing 10:10 to 11:10	Canoeing 11:20 to 12:30	Lunch 12:30 to 13:00

Food, Glorious Food!





These are the main dining room where we eat our meals.







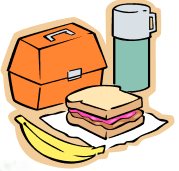




When it's time for a drink, you can have one at the Drink Station.



Food – example menu



Dobroyd Castle 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.

Arrival Lunch

Sausage Roll
Jam Sandwich
Ready salted crisps
KitKat
Fruit available

Day 1 Evening Meal

Fish Fingers and Chips
(With Peas and sweetcorn)
Cheese and Tomato Pizza
(With Peas and sweetcorn)
Chocolate or Strawberry Dessert

Day Two

Breakfast

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

Lunch

Jumbo Hotdog
Chicken Burger
Vegetarian version available
Sandwich with filling
(cheese, ham, tuna or jam)
Cake
Fruit

Day 2 Evening Meal

Chicken Pasta
Vegetarian Tomato Pasta
Baked Potato (with choice of filling)
Salad available
Choc Ice or Raspberry Ripple Dessert

Day Three

Breakfast

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

Departure Lunch

Chicken Wrap (Optional Salad)
Cheese Wrap (Optional Salad)
Sandwich with filling (cheese, ham, tuna or jam)
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.

Kit list!

- ✓ 4 Comfortable long-sleeved tops (sweatshirts/jumpers/hoodies/fleeces)
- ✓ 3 T-shirts (not vest type)
- ✓ 3 Pairs of trousers (not restrictive; sportswear is good/ideally not jeans)
- ✓ 1 Pairs of shorts (knee length)
- ✓ 5 Sets of underwear
- ✓ 6 Pairs of socks
- ✓ 2 Pairs of trainers
- ✓ 2 Towels
- ✓ 1 Waterproof coat
- ✓ 1 Warm hat
- ✓ 1 Pair of warm gloves
- ✓ 1 Set of nightwear
- ✓ 1 Bag of toiletries
- ✓ 1 Black bin liner



Please add names to each item in their kits

Kit list!

You can borrow waterproofs and fleeces when you need them for water activities or if it's raining or cold.



When you have finished with wet clothes you have borrowed, you can put them in the group bins to be washed.



Facebook Permissions …

✓ We will be using Facebook to keep you updated throughout the trip.

✓We need permissions from families to be able to do this in regards to the use of photographs.

✓Up-to-date permissions leaflet for those who need it.



Top tips!

HERE are some tips that will help your child get even more out of their visit to Robinwood.

✓Ensure they know how to tie and double-knot their shoe laces.

✓ New food! Try to encourage your child to try something different to the usual. The food is really good quality and they need it to keep their energy levels up!

✓Sweets…! There is enough to eat; the children WILL like something! They don't need to bring any additional food.

✓Please don't send mobile phones or any electronic equipment. It's about enjoying the great outdoors! It's about doing something DIFFERENT to what they usually do! Not about relying on technology to keep them entertained.

✓If the children need any medication, including travel sickness pills (on the way there, you can give it to them before they leave home), please speak to a member of Leverhulme staff before the day of the trip. Named envelope and form via the office.

✓And remember… NO NEWS IS GOOD NEWS!!

And all the news and events will be shared via Facebook!

Souvenirs

✓ **Children do not need to bring any money with them.**

✓ **If children would like a souvenir, parents can fill out the form and give <u>money(exact cash)</u> to an adult from Leverhulme before the half term break.**

Child's Name: _____

If you would like to pre-order Robinwood souvenirs please complete the order form below and return to your Party Leader.

Orders will be collated and given to your school during their stay.



New for 2022!
Robinwood Piranha Soft Toy
£12.50

(Approx Size 20cm)





'I Survived the Piranha Pool' T-Shirt - £12.50



Robinwood T-Shirt - £10



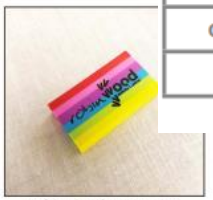
Robinwood Pencil -



Robinwood Mug - £5



Robinwood Pen - £1.20



Robinwood Eraser - £1

Size	Piranha T-Shirt £12.50	Blue T-Shirt £10	Piranha Soft Toy £12.50	Mug £5	Pen £1.20	Pencil 60p	Eraser £1
7-8							
9-11							
12-14							
S							
M							
L							
XL							
Totals							
Cost							
Please note: Children's T-Shirts are labelled as Youth M, L and XL				**Total Cost**			

Payments should be made directly to your school. Thank you.

Any Questions?



Code of conduct for children at Robinwood

Follow instructions given

Many exciting activities take place at Robinwood. It is vital for everyone's safety, and for the maximum enjoyment of all the activities, that everyone listens carefully to instructions given and follows those instructions.

Keep yourself and everyone else safe

Throughout your stay make sure you behave in a way that keeps yourself, and everyone else, safe. Following instructions is an important part of ensuring everyone remains safe, but you will also need to behave sensibly throughout your stay and be aware of the possible risks if you do not.

Challenge yourself

Robinwood activities provide different and exciting challenges. We believe that young people attending Robinwood should generally be able to succeed at all activities offered. Please come to Robinwood ready to have a go at all the activities, to challenge yourself and achieve as much as you can. No one will be forced to do any activities that they really don't want to do, but the children who get the most from the Robinwood experience will be those who have a really good go at everything we offer and aim to achieve as much as they can.

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Be a good team member

Many Robinwood activities rely on good team work. A good team member will always listen to others in the group, as well as putting forward their own ideas. They will be keen to help and encourage others, whilst setting a good example by taking full part in all activities themselves.

Take responsibility for your own property and jobs

All the cooking and washing up is done for you whilst staying at Robinwood, but there are still a few jobs that you will need to do. Your group leader, and other Robinwood staff, will remind you of these throughout your stay, but they include:

i) Look after your own clothing and any other items that you bring with you, throughout your stay. It is important to check through your bag before you come to Robinwood so that you know exactly what you have brought with you, then to make sure that you don't leave items lying around at Robinwood where they might get lost.

ii) Keep your dormitory clean and tidy. Don't leave your personal property lying around and work together with the other children to keep the room neat and tidy.

iii) At meal times, follow the instructions of Robinwood staff, to make sure that after your meal any rubbish is put in the bin provided and tables are wiped clean.

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Be helpful to others

Your Robinwood trip should be exciting, challenging and great fun for all. Robinwood is always much more enjoyable, when the children taking part are helpful to others. There are many ways throughout your three days at Robinwood that you can be helpful to others. These include:

i) Offering encouragement and support to someone who may be a bit unsure about climbing to the top of the climbing wall or taking part in some other Robinwood activity.

ii) Listening carefully to other people's ideas and encouraging them, as well as putting forward your own ideas, for example in the piranha pool and during other activity sessions.

iii) Helping your group complete all the jobs that need to be done during your time at Robinwood.

Throughout your stay your group leader will be looking to see who the most helpful members of the activity group are.

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Respect other people's privacy and property

You should respect the property of Robinwood Activity Centre, including the buildings, the equipment and the grounds. Also respect other people's property, including all the items they bring with them to Robinwood. This means that you should never enter anyone else's dormitory or look in anyone else's bag at Robinwood. In your own dormitory, you should not go onto anyone else's bed.

Be a good ambassador for your school

Remember when you come to Robinwood you will be a representative or ambassador for your school. It is likely that there will be other schools attending at the same time as you. It is important that, through your conduct throughout your 3 days at Robinwood, you create a good impression of yourself and your school. It is important that you respect the rights, dignity and worth of all children attending Robinwood regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity. Good behaviour is not only important during the day, it is also important at bedtime and overnight when you will need to get a good nights sleep

Kit list! – Important Information

IF ATTENDING BARHAUGH HALL, DOBROYD CASTLE OR THE OLD SCHOOL ACTIVITY CENTRE PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOUR CHILD IS DRESSED APPROPRIATELY WITH SUITABLE FOOTWEAR FOR AN INITIAL WALK TO THE CENTRE/INITIAL ACTIVITY (APPROX 1-2 MILES DEPENDING UPON CENTRE)

Items NOT to bring

Please do not bring items such as mobile phones, any type of cameras (including disposables), computer games, iPads/tablets, personal stereos, expensive watches etc.

Although at some centres you are asked to bring your own bedding, there is no need to do this at Robinwood as all bedding is provided.

Please do not bring any aerosol sprays. Our fire alarm is sensitive in order to ensure high standards of fire safety and aerosols sprayed near any of the many smoke alarm sensors can set off the fire alarm for the whole centre.

Kit list! – Important Information

Notes on the suggested clothing

1. We have a drying room and also provide a laundry facility for children's clothing at Robinwood. Wet and/or dirty clothing will be washed on a 30 degree cycle and dried in a tumble drier. Please do not bring any new or expensive items, or any items which cannot be tumble dried. Please note that for water activities on the last day we cannot always offer this service.
2. As a result of the provision of specialist Robinwood clothing and the laundry facility offered, children do not need to bring much additional clothing with them. Keeping the clothing brought by children to a minimum helps us to reduce lost property.
3. Due to the nature of the activities, it is possible that clothes may occasionally get damaged. All clothing should be suitable for use in an outdoor, and often muddy, environment. Old clothes are best, not new or expensive clothing.
4. Outdoor shoes/boots. Walking boots are great for this, but a strong pair of shoes would be suitable and trainers would be ok. in fine, dry weather. You definitely don't need to buy walking boots especially for the Robinwood trip. Robinwood provide wellies when appropriate.
5. Jeans are not suitable for our activities, as they are cold and restrictive when wet and difficult to dry. Leggings are not really suitable for outdoor activities, however tracksuits or jogging bottoms are ideal, but other trousers would also be fine.
6. In hot weather sun lotion and insect repellent are strongly recommended. In cold weather it would be good idea to bring some warm gloves.
7. Please ensure, wherever possible, that items brought to Robinwood are marked with the child's name. It is really helpful if the school name can also be indicated. We do our very best to return all property to the children that it belongs to. This is made much easier if items are named.