

What is the Laches Wood experience?



When is the Laches Wood experience?

OCTOBER

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22		24	25	26
27	28	29	30		31	

HOLIDAYS AND OBSERVANCES: 14 - COLUMBUS DAY ; 31 - HALLOWEEN

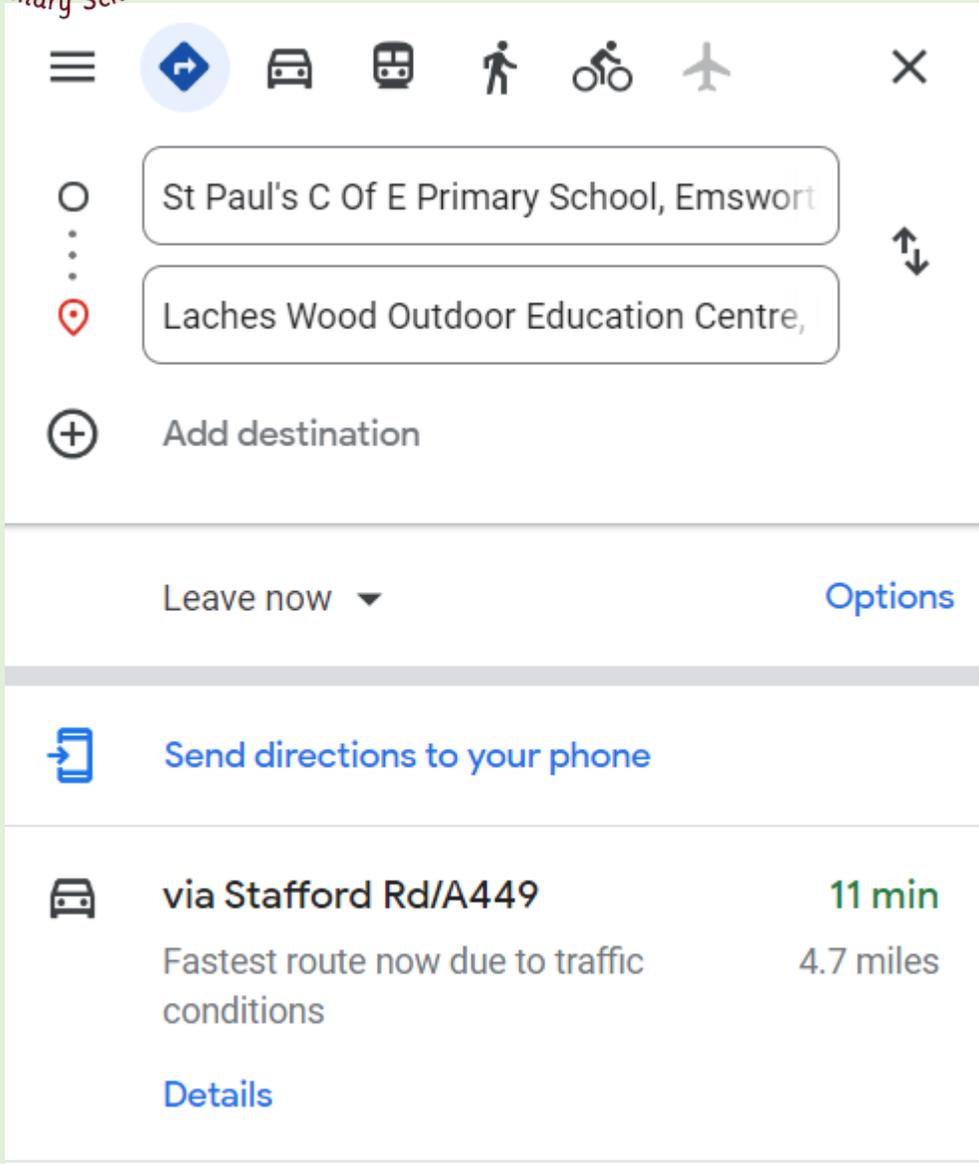
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The Laches Wood experience is about:

- **Teamwork**
- **Leadership**
- **Building character**
- **Trust**
- **Communication**
- **Independence**
- **Responsibility**
- **Rising to the challenge**



Travel Arrangements



On Wednesday 23rd October, we will be leaving school at around 10.00am in order to arrive at Laches wood for 10.30am.

We will be travelling on a pre-arranged mini-bus.

On Friday 25th October, we will be leaving Laches Wood at approximately 1.30pm to arrive back at school for 2.00pm, for collection.

A text message will be sent to alert you to confirm our arrival back at school.

Risk Management Statement



Summary

The safety and wellbeing of all our customers and employees is our number one priority. Our well qualified and highly competent staff lead the way in ensuring that a safety culture, underpinned by sensible and proportionate risk management, pervades every aspect of our operations.

It is what people do that is important, not necessarily what is written down, and we are expert in what we do. We employ a dynamic approach to risk management ensuring we use our expertise to maintain the highest standards. Risk assessments and operating procedures, both specific and generic, shape and inform our practice and our culture.

Our staff hold a variety of nationally recognised qualifications for the activities we deliver and undergo continual professional development and training so that we stay at the forefront of best practice in the outdoor education sector.

It is the benefits to people of engaging in outdoor learning that remain at the heart of our risk management process. Where there are risks identified these are managed effectively but it is often the case with some adventure activities that a degree of risk remains for the activities and the intended outcomes to have value, worth and meaning.

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Laches Wood Centre



SEARCH & RESCUE



CANOEING



ARCHERY AREA



HIGH ROPES



BMXING



CLIMBING WALL



DORMITORIES



ORIENTEERING

A Typical Day

7.30am	Wake up
8.00am	Breakfast
9.00am	Duties
9.15am	Dorm Inspection
9.30 am	Meet for morning activities
12.30pm	Lunch
1.45pm	Meet for afternoon activities
5.00pm	Evening Meal
6.00pm	Duties
6.30pm	Tuck Shop
7.00pm	Meet for evening activities
8.00pm	Base time
9.00pm	Supper
9.30pm	Bedtime

Timetable for the Visit

Wednesday	Morning 10.30am – 12.30am	Arrive 10:30am and introductions Settle into the centre				
	Afternoon 1.45pm – 5pm	Canoeing				
	Evening 7.15pm – 9pm	Global Domination				
Thursday	Morning 9.30am – 12.30		Archery Frisbee Golf		Frisbee Golf Archery	
	Afternoon 1.45pm – 5pm		High Ropes		High Ropes	
	Evening 7.15pm – 9pm	Photo Trail				
Friday	Morning 9.30am – 12.30		Caving Biking		Biking Caving	
	Afternoon	Depart – 1:30pm				

Archery



Canoeing



Frisbee Golf



High Ropes



Caving



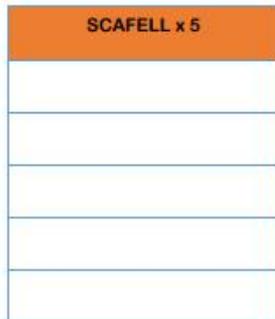
Biking



Mountain Dorm Plan



PARTITION DOORS





Sample Menu

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Breakfast	Omelette, Hash Brown and Scrambled Eggs	Bacon, Scrambled Egg and Waffles	Spaghetti Hoops, Omelette and Staffordshire Sausages	Hash Browns, Bacon and Plum Tomatoes	Scrambled Egg, Staffordshire Sausage and Baked Beans
Also available: Cereals, Tea Cakes, Scotch Pancakes, Toast and Crumpets with Butter, Marmalade and Jam. Tea, Pure Fruit Juice, Milk, Yoghurt and Fresh Fruit.					
Lunch	Picnic Box Selection of Sandwiches or Baps, Crisps, Piece of Fruit, Biscuit or Homemade Tray Bake and a Cold Drink.				
Dinner	Pork Sausage with Gravy, Mashed Potato and a Yorkie Quorn Sausage with Mash Potato and Gravy Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings Vegetables: Carrots, Peas and Mixed Salad	Pasta King With a choice of Meat and Vegetarian Toppings Garlic Bread Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings Vegetables: Peas, Sweetcorn and Mixed Salad	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Quorn Fillet Roast with Roast Potatoes and Gravy Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings Vegetables: Carrots, Broccoli and Mixed Salad	Cheese and Tomato Pizza Fish Fingers Potato Wedges Jacket Potato with a Selection of Toppings Vegetables: House Slaw, Sweetcorn and Mixed Salad	NA
Dessert	Chocolate Crunch with Custard	Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Apple Crumble with Custard	Warm Jam Sponge	NA
Supper	Hot Chocolate and Biscuits				

• Please let us know on the medical form if there are any specific dietary requirements.

Valuables

Anything of any great financial (or sentimental value) should be left at home.

There is no jewellery (earrings, bracelets etc) needed, unless of religious importance.

No phones, or electronic devices please.

No sweets, chocolates or crisps.



Souvenirs

During the week there is an opportunity for pupils to buy small souvenirs.

Your child can bring a little pocket money - no more than £5 - in a named wallet, purse or envelope (try to include change).

When not needed, teachers will store money safely.



Emergency Contacts

In the first instance, your emergency contact should be the school.

The phone for Laches Wood is for emergencies ONLY – please see your pack for details. In the event of a serious family emergency, this phone will be answered by Centre staff and is not available for pupil use at any times (only exception is a birthday call).



Medication

Supply appropriate medication, all of which will be looked after by the staff during your child's staff at the Centre.

Please fill in the medical form that will be given out at the end of this meeting and hand in to the teachers/ office staff.



Frequently Asked Questions

What happens with pocket money?

What are duties?

How are the meals?

What if my child is homesick?

Can my child bring a mobile/ call home?

What if my child is scared of heights/ doesn't like an activity?

What about poor behavior?

What if my child is unhappy with their team/ dorm arrangements?

Will school keep me informed about how my child is getting on?

What should I do if there is an unexpected emergency?