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Year 4 Trip – The Lookout Centre Maps and Orienteering

On Friday 13th October, Year 4 will be visiting The LookOut Education Centre in Hyde Park. Our P.E. topic this term is focused on ‘Outdoor Adventurous Activities’. The LookOut centre is offering a new workshop this year focused on maps and orienteering which provides some great curriculum links for this P.E. topic.

We are excited to have booked a morning’s workshop focused on the following areas:

- *use basic geographical vocabulary to refer to key physical and human features on a map*
- *orientate themselves using a simple map of the Education Centre garden*
- *use compasses to establish direction of movement*
- *use compass directions and locational language to describe features and routes on a map*
- *interpret a key and use grid references to find map location*
- *work as a team to complete an orienteering exercise*

Activities will take place within the fenced area of the LookOut and in open areas of the park, so please ensure that children wear weather-appropriate clothing on the day.

Our session will start with an introduction in the classroom before moving into the garden for some compass work. Maps of the garden will be used for key interpretation and orientation using compasses. Children will locate themselves on the map at different points around the garden.

We will then work in groups and be sent into the park to complete an orienteering exercise using maps and a pack containing compass, clues and answer sheet. The groups are given a departure time from the centre and will each be sent to a different start point. The winning group will complete the task in the quickest time with the most correct answers. They will encounter questions requiring map, geographical and quantitative skills in order to complete the course.

On returning to the centre we will compare notes and discuss where difficulties were experienced and how geographical and directional language can be used to make directions easier. Time permitting, the groups will have the opportunity to draw a map of the route they took to complete the orienteering.



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Children are to arrive at the earlier slightly time of **8.40am**. We will be leaving school promptly at **8.50am**. As this workshop is for a half day, we will arrive back to school for around 1.30pm. We will now be travelling by coach instead of train to avoid the morning rush hour at the stations.

The total cost of this trip is **£9**. For your child to participate in this very worthwhile visit, please pay via ParentPay: www.parentpay.com by Thursday 12th October. If you are having any problems with ParentPay or do not have home internet access, please email finance@orleans.richmond.sch.uk or contact the school office.

Please ensure that your child brings in a packed lunch in a **named carrier bag or in a small rucksack**. Pupils must come dressed in their uniform with a warm coat and suitable footwear for the outdoors.

If you are able to help on the day, please see your child's class teacher.

Thank you

Miss Hedges

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