



**THE BULWELL
ACADEMY**
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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Residential – Walesby Forest October 2026

We are very excited to offer all current Year 6 students (our new Year 7 cohort) the opportunity to attend our **Walesby Forest residential trip** in October 2026.

Walesby Forest is located near Sherwood Forest and is a well-established outdoor activity centre, set within beautiful woodland surroundings. The centre provides a safe and engaging environment where young people can develop confidence, independence, and teamwork skills.

During the residential, students will have the opportunity to take part in a wide range of exciting outdoor activities, which may include:

- High ropes and climbing activities
- Archery
- Team-building challenges
- Problem-solving and adventure activities
- Outdoor exploration

These experiences are designed to help students build friendships, develop resilience, and strengthen their confidence as they begin their journey at The Bulwell Academy.

The school is funding the majority of the cost of this trip; however, we are asking for a **£20 contribution per student**.

If you would like your child to attend, please ensure you:

- Complete the **consent form** and all required sections of the data collection form attached to this letter
- Submit the **£20 non-refundable deposit**

Please note that **a place on the trip is not guaranteed until the deposit has been received**.

Bookings will go live on 1 July 26.



Trip Dates

To accommodate all students, the residential will take place across two separate trips:

- **1 – 2 October 2026**
- **8 – 9 October 2026**

Students will be allocated a date based on their tutor group. As tutor groups have not yet been finalised, we will confirm your child's allocated date in September.

If your child wishes to attend but is unavailable on one of the dates, please indicate this clearly on the consent form.

Payment Information (Arbor App)

All payments for the residential should be made via the **Arbor app**.

To make a payment:

1. Log into your Arbor Parent Portal or App
2. Select “**Activities**” or “**Trips**”
3. Choose **Walesby Forest Residential**
4. Click “**Make Payment**”
5. Follow the prompts to complete payment securely

If you experience any issues accessing Arbor, please contact the school for support.

This residential is a fantastic opportunity for students to form new friendships, get to know staff, and create lasting memories at the very start of their time with us. We very much hope your child will take part in this exciting experience.

Yours sincerely

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