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WINGS Summer Camp Info – Sheet 1

FreeSpirit Explorers – please start to collect your thoughts and start to plan for our summer camp this August.

Read the Newsletters from our Sub-camp “Archimedes”. These are all in the “Downloads” section of our website. Make sure that you know who this important dude was and what he contributed to society. Check out the jamboree website www.wings2009.org.uk/wingszone/archimedes.html Check to see who else will be camping near us and from what countries.

Check out the plan for the whole Jamboree site – make sure that you know where the important points are located – our sub-camp; the main activity areas; the relaxing/social zone.

Start getting your kit together – don’t forget that we are going for 1 week...not 1 year! You will want clothes for hot days and also cooler/wet days. You will need kit for activities including canoeing/sailing; climbing and black bin bags to store damp kit. You may want to bring smart/casual kit for wearing in the evening. Essential kit includes a good sleeping bag, karymat, full waterproofs, a torch, a day sack and drinks bottle. You will need a toga – for the sub camp toga party. A rucksack is best for carrying your kit. We will almost certainly have to walk from our bus drop off point to our camping pitch. Make sure that you pack your own chair!

Sort out who you want to share a tent with. Minimum is two to a tent. If you want to take your own tent please do so. However, check with a leader to ensure that it will be suitable for a week’s camp.

Welshness – we are representing Wales and will have a number of opportunities to display our Welsh talent to the world. Everyone needs to bring a red Welsh rugby top or T shirt. If you have access to a traditional Welsh women’s outfit...please bring it. Buy, beg or borrow a Welsh flag (wear it, hang it up, swap it). You may want to buy extra dragon badges – these are very swappable items. The Dragon really does sell/swap very well. Be prepared to sing our national anthem and other cool Welsh songs (Bread of Heaven, Delilah etc – make sure that you know the words). If you have any blow up sheep / dafodil’s etc, please pack them.



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If you need medication (hay fever tablets/ asthma inhalers/ diabetes kit etc) make sure that you have enough for the entire week.

Electronic gear – we are camping and will almost certainly NOT have access to power points. Mobile phones will therefore die around about Monday. If you simply cannot do without hair straighteners...make sure that they are gas powered.

Music – we hope to have a massive battery powered iPod/MP3 player speaker doc. So by all means bring your music. The leaders will have a secure box for locking expensive items away when we are off site. During WINGS there will be a camp radio station, online and on the air waves. Be sure to pack your own radio to tune in for the latest news and updates!

Upon arrival, you will all be issued with a goodie bag that will include the Jamboree badge and probably our sub camp badge. You may get a sub camp necker.



Business cards – you may want to make your own business cards for giving to new friends. Alternatively you may decide to have some cards professionally printed. Check out www.vistaprint.co.uk They are very cheap and only take a few days to deliver. HOWEVER...please check with parents on what content you are allowed to put on the cards.

Making a Difference - Help WINGS2009 To Support CRISIS And Put A Sock In Homelessness! Did you know one of the biggest problems for homeless people is their feet? WINGS 2009 is supporting the work of Crisis and hoping to make a difference to the lives of those young people who find themselves homeless. To do this we will be collecting pairs of new black socks. Help us to make the largest single donation of socks during Girl Guiding UK's "Changing the World" year and bring a pair with you.