



Fairplay House

A guide for parents

Introduction

Fairplay House is a large, 1930s-built country house

It is located in Wickham Bishops, in Essex

The house accommodates up to 60 young people

Young people stay in dormitories



Fairplay House



The Grounds

- *There are extensive, immaculately landscaped gardens*
- *Within the gardens are:*
 - *An artificial climbing wall*
 - *An outdoor swimming pool*
 - *An obstacle course and an orienteering course*
 - *An archery range*
 - *Volleyball courts and a football pitch*
 - *An underground area in which you can experience the conditions faced by cavers*
 - *A high ropes course*





A warm welcome

*Children arriving at Fairplay
House*

Fair Play House

Wednesday 24th – Friday 26th November 2021

- The coach will leave the school at 9.30am on Wednesday 24th November
- Children should arrive at the usual time of 8.45am
- Expect us back at school by 3.15pm on Friday 26th November
- Medication: children should not bring any medication except asthma pumps, unless already agreed (medication given to Mr Dipple, labelled)

SUGGESTED EQUIPMENT

Complete changes of underwear and socks (enough for your stay)

Three warm sweaters or sweatshirts

Enough shirts, T-shirts or similar for your stay
(at least 1 per day; extras are a good idea as the children may get wet)

At least two pairs of trousers or track suit bottoms (**Please note that jeans are not suitable**)

Two pairs of trainers or old shoes; wellington boots (there is a limited supply at Fairplay House)

Pyjamas and dressing gown

Two towels and toiletries (toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, flannel, etc.)

One pair of indoor slippers

A waterproof coat or anorak

Gloves, woollen hat or similar; scarf

Each item of clothing, etc. should be clearly marked with the pupil's name.

Expectations...

- Pupils should not bring any personal belongings like, mobile phones, MP3 players, Nintendo DS...
- Pupils should not wear any jewellery, including earrings; they will not be allowed on any activities if they are wearing jewellery
- No pocket money is needed as everything is provided.
- Pupils will not be allowed to call home. In case of any emergency the school will contact parents.
- We'll keep you posted on *ParentHub!*
- Children can bring a reading book and a teddy bear



Key information

- 5 members of staff will accompany the children.
- Fair Play House is run by the Borough of Newham and has trained instructors.
- The children will be provided with cooked meals and packed lunches.
- You must inform us (using the link you have been sent) if your child has any allergies to specific foods
- They will sleep in same-gender bedrooms on bunk beds, in groups of no more than 8.

Managing Illness

- Anyone who has recently been ill, particularly with vomiting and/or diarrhoea, must be free from symptoms for 48 hours before coming to Fairplay House
- Children should stay at home if they are unwell with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature to avoid spreading infection to others



Accommodation

Children staying at Fairplay House get to:

- Sleep in bunk beds, in rooms that sleep 4, 6 or 8
- Eat in a relaxed, canteen-style dining room
- Relax in the evenings in the common room; play board games and card games, read a book, chat with a friend





Teamwork

*At Fairplay House
you do everything
together:*

- *Having fun*
- *Mealtimes*
- *Chores and duties*



Other Things you should know...

- You are placed in 4 groups when you arrive – each group does activities together
- The food is amazing! Everyone says so!
- Breakfast includes toast, beans on toast, cereal – choose 1 or have all!
- Lunch – gorgeous, soft rolls with lots of filling choices, crisps, juice and cake!
- Hot meals (all Halal) – veggie options, spaghetti Bolognese, pizza, shepherd's pie, homemade pies
- Hot chocolate
- Midnight feasts





Activities

Giant Swing

Archery

Bushcraft

Zip wire

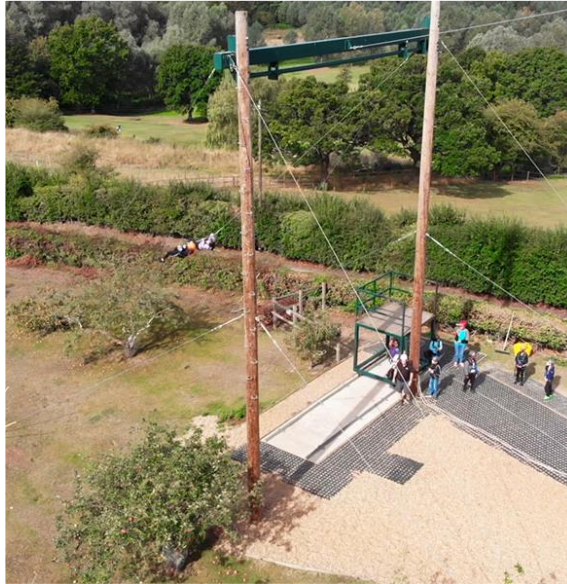
Night Walk
(which includes
map reading)

Activities



Night Walk

You are dropped in the middle of nowhere with an adult, a map and a torch and have to make your way back to the house!



Giant Swing



Zip Wire

Life Skills

Making their own beds!

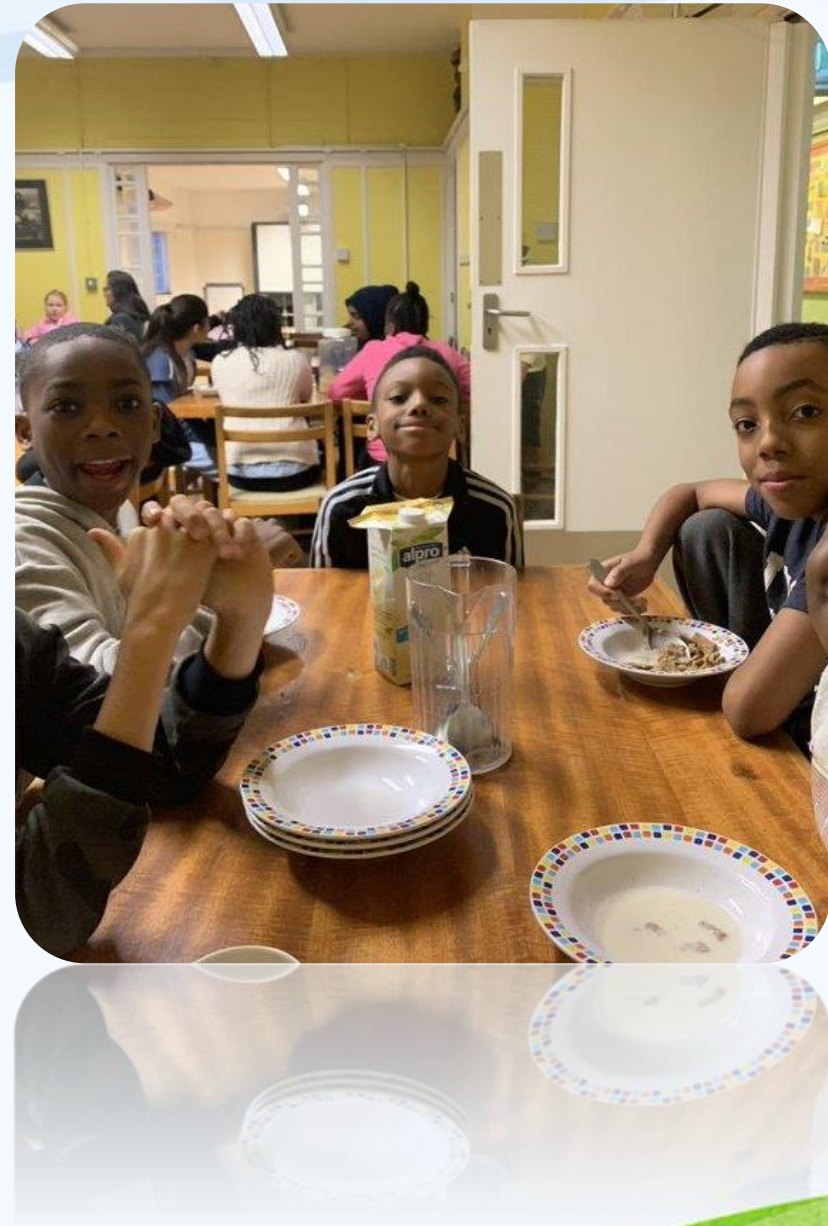
Bedding is provided – you don't need to send any!





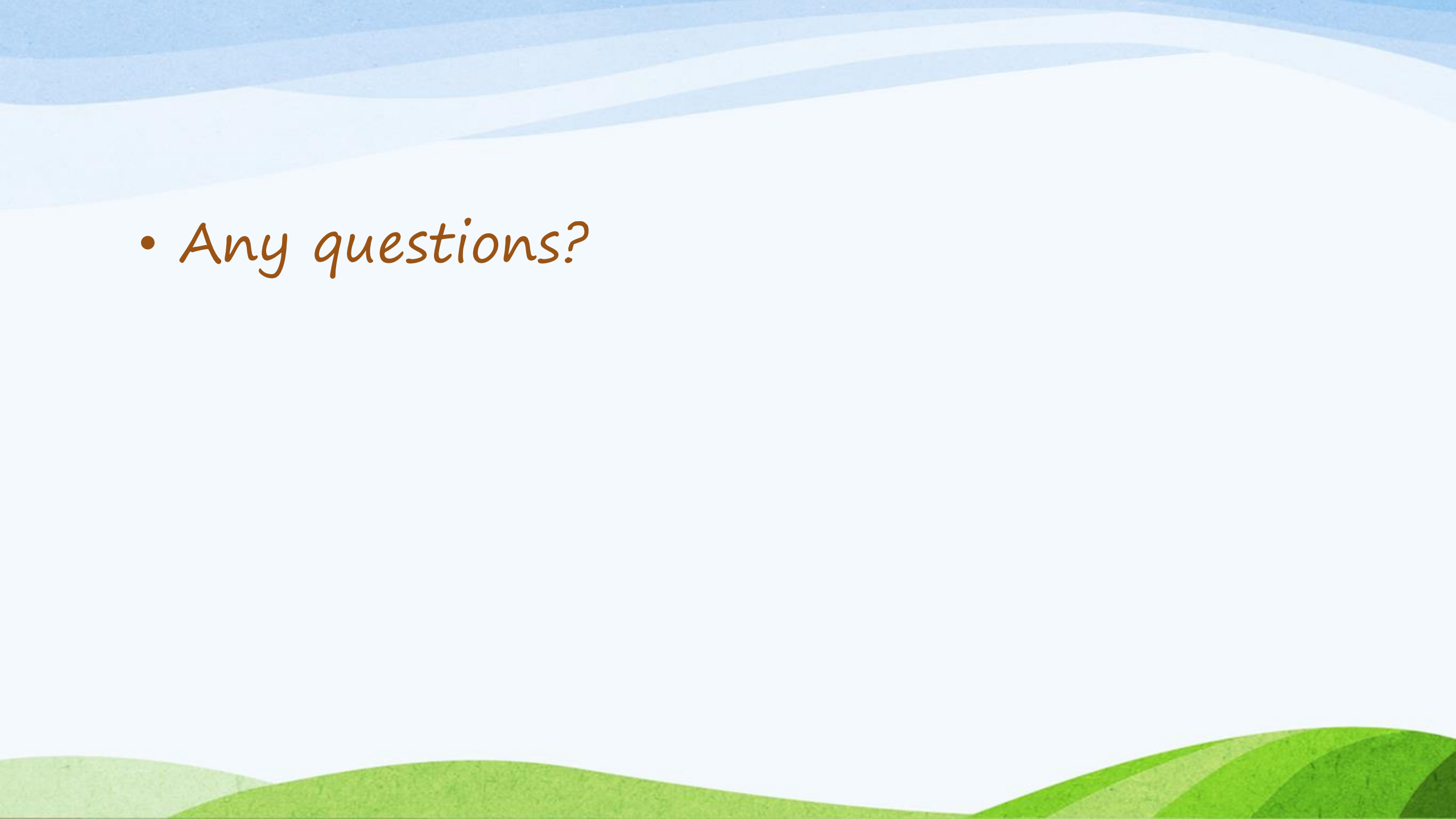
Washing Up!

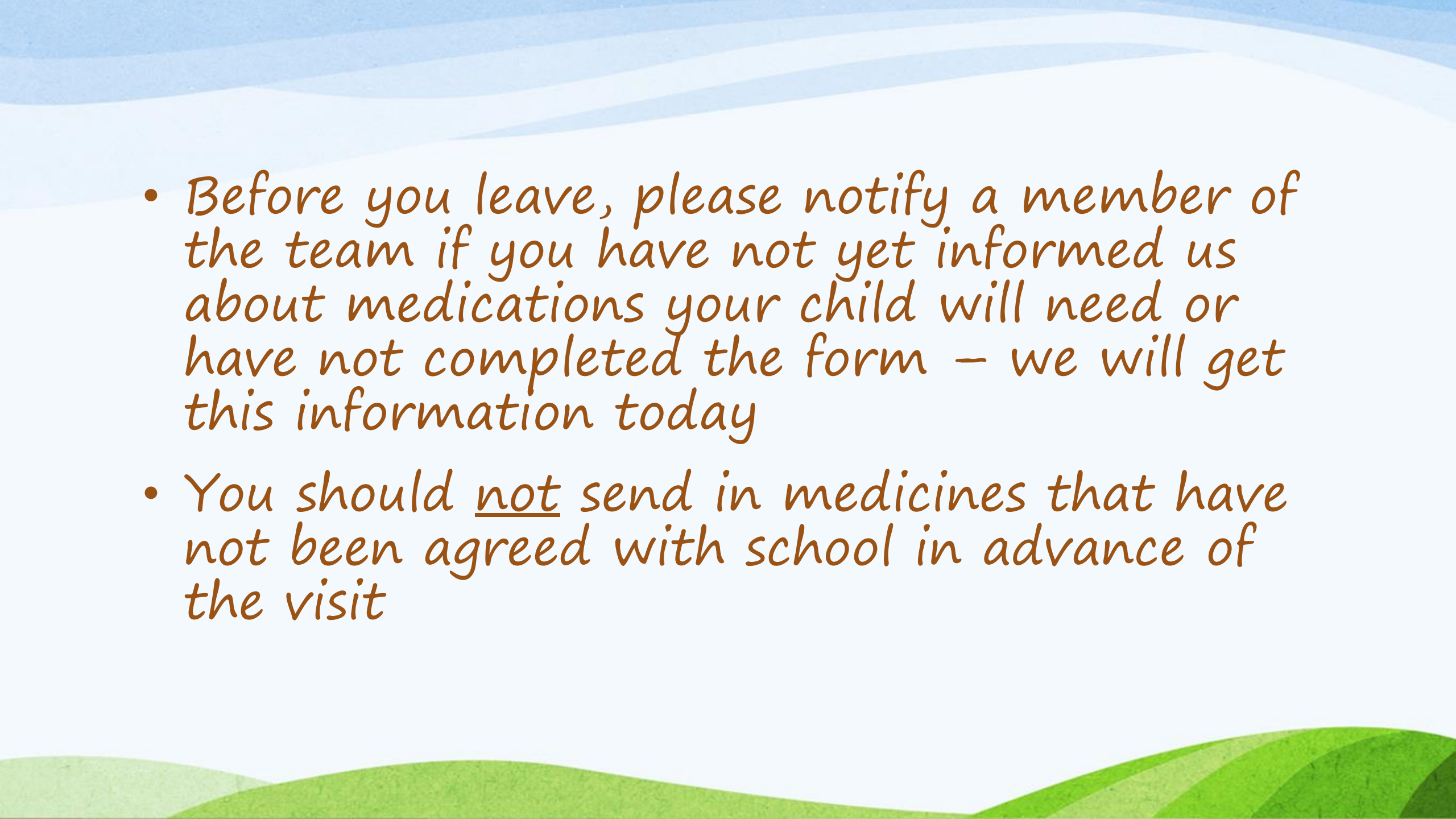
Fine dining!





Problem-solving!

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- *Any questions?*

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- Before you leave, please notify a member of the team if you have not yet informed us about medications your child will need or have not completed the form – we will get this information today
 - You should not send in medicines that have not been agreed with school in advance of the visit