

# WESTBROOK 2019

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**VENTURERS AND IMPACT**

**MAY HALF TERM RESIDENTIAL**

**ON THE ISLE OF WIGHT**

**WEDS 29TH TO FRI 31ST MAY**



## **What will we be doing?**

We hope you'll be counting down the days until our Operation Jericho break on the Isle of Wight - we are really looking forward to it, and are busy planning fab ways to spend our time at Westbrook. Our days will include onsite activities like our wide game 'Mission Impossible?', low ropes course, swimming, games or craft. We will meet together once a day for songs, games, challenges, and to hear the story of Joshua, his secret agents, and and his seemingly impossible mission from God. We'll also spend a bit of time before bed in dorm groups reading the bible together. Added to that we have our trip to Ryde for bowling, laser quest and beach, and some free time for you explore and make use of the amazing grounds, including the mini golf, basketball court, table tennis room and football pitches, and to chill with your friends.

## **What do we need to bring?**

Firstly, ferry costume - anything Secret Agent, from a full-on spy suit to a simple false moustache. On top of that you will need: \* A fitted sheet, plus duvet cover or sleeping bag, and pillow case. \*Raincoat \* Wash stuff and towel \*PJs \*Swimming stuff and spare towel \*Trainers for running around games \*A named water bottle \* Named sunscreen and hat \*3 sets of clothes but nothing too special; if the weather's good we'll be outside a lot. \*A bible if you have one, and a pen or pencil \*Tuck money - you will not need more than £5 - try to bring pound coins if you can in a named purse. We will have a box where you can leave your purse for safekeeping if you want to. \*A first class stamp and your home address - there are postcards on sale at the tuck shop if you wish to write - your postcard may even beat you home!

## **Can we bring mobile phones?**

We would prefer you not to bring a mobile phone as you won't be locking your rooms and we won't want you to have them on you all the time. Parents can contact us on our mobiles or on the Westbrook phone if they need you for any reason. A good rule for residential trips is don't bring anything that you really don't want to lose!

## **Can I ring home?**

We will only be at Westbrook for 2 nights, and you will be so busy having fun that you probably won't even think about wanting to ring home! However, if you'd like to hear from home whilst you're away, then ask a parent to write you a secret postcard or note and post it before we leave - we'll give any post out to you on Thursday. The address is: TBC Group, Urban Saints Centre, Westbrook, Oakhill Road, Ryde, Isle of Wight, PO33 1PU. Going away from home is such great fun, but can sometimes seem a bit scary before you go. Why not talk to an adult about how you feel, and see if they have any tips for good room sharing, or for getting along with kids you don't usually hang out with? Our lovely leaders will be having lots of fun away too, but they will have time to chat with you should you be worried about anything, so just ask. We think you'll have the best time ever!

## **When will we be leaving on the Wednesday afternoon?**

We are going to meet at church at 1.30 so we can load up the minibuses there before driving to the ferry terminal to catch the 3:00pm ferry. You will be allocated a leader to stay with on the ferry, but they will be happy to explore with you!

## **When will we need picking up on the Friday afternoon?**

We will be catching the 3:30pm ferry home, arriving in Southampton at 4.30ish. We will be back at church on the minibuses by about 4.45pm for you to be collected.

## **Will we be sharing rooms?**

The rooms at Westbrook have between 4 and 8 bunks in each, and we will be putting you into dorm-groups before we leave. We will try to take account of friendship groups as much as possible, but you will have lots of time to hang out together at other times of day, so don't worry if you are not in a room with all your friends. There are separate toilet and shower blocks for boys and girls. The beds have uncovered mattresses and duvets, so you will need to bring your own fitted sheet to cover the mattress, and either a duvet cover or a sleeping bag to go on top. You will also need a pillow case.

## **What if I need Medication?**

Your parents will give us any medication you need when we leave (please make sure it is clearly labelled and in a sealed bag) with a form filled in with instructions for use, and we will keep hold of it and help you take it when it is needed. Unless your parent has asked us not to, we are able to give Calpol if needed.

## **Will we have a trip out?**

On Thursday afternoon we are planning a trip to the bowling centre in Ryde for ten pin or laser quest, and then hopefully some sunny time on the lovely sandy beach down the road from there. You will not need to bring money on the trip.

## **What will there be to eat?**

You will be pleased to know that the catering is done for us at Westbrook! The menu will be something like Pizza and Chips on Wednesday evening, and Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings on Thursday evening. Breakfast consists of cereals, toast and one cooked option, and lunch is usually made up of sandwiches, crisps, cake and fruit. Last year the food was great, and we're expecting it will be just as good this year. We will open the tuck shop each day, so before you go, work out with a parent how much you are allowed to spend on sweets and drinks! If you have special dietary requirements, please let us know as soon as possible, so that we can let Westbrook know.

**If you have any more questions please ask Sarah, Scott or Naomi and we will try our best to answer them! See you on May 29th!**