





An educational adventure to remember!

Location: Isle of Wight, Bembridge

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What's coming up...

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Your centre

Our Isle of Wight centre covers 100 acres of beautiful fields and woodlands in a superb cliff top location, overlooking Whitecliff Bay, with direct beach access. At its heart, the Isle of Wight centre's five residential buildings – including an all-weather activity zone – border a tree-lined lane.

Surrounded by "Jurassic" coastline designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest, this is the most important area of Europe for dinosaur fossils, making the Isle of Wight perfect for Environmental Field Studies.

Challenging on-land activities including a high-adrenaline ropes park, Jacob's ladder, archery and obstacle courses, plus bushcraft and orienteering.





Highlights of Isle of Wight









A bit more about your centre...

Sleeping

Kingswood on the Isle of Wight has standard dormitory style accommodation. Rooms range from 6 to 8 bed dormitories. Boys and girls will have their own floor which will include 3 bathrooms and shower facilities. Children will sleep in bunk beds- bedding is provided.

Queensgate children will all be in one secure building which will not be accessed by any other visitors or staff. There will be 3 members of QG staff per floor!





A bit more about your centre...

Eating

To fuel young guests there will be three meals per day, with lots of choice and seasonal variations. For example: Cooked breakfast with fruit and cereal, burgers for lunch and lasagne or jacket potatoes for dinner. Vegetarian, vegan and gluten/ dairy free options are available if requested.

The exact menu will be sent to us the week before, including the carb count for each meal.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch in a carrier bag and a named water bottle on the first day of our trip.





A typical day at Kingswood...

Breakfast

09:15 Obstacle Challenge

10:50 Bushcraft - Water Filtration

12:20 Group Leader Time

Activities/Review

Lunch

14:30 Archery

16:05 Problem Solving

17:35 Group Leader Team

Activities/Review

Dinner

Evening activity: Scrapheap Challenge

- We will have 4 mixed activity groups of approximately 14 children
- Each group will have at least one member of Queensgate staff in addition to the Kingswood team.
- Timings are approximate at this point but will be confirmed the week before we go.
- In between activities there will also be a chance to play games in the grounds, visit the beach and pop to the onsite shop to buy a souvenir.



The centre team

Activity Tutors

Kingswood's friendly activity leaders are always on hand to encourage the students. They inspire students to take on challenges, and fill each day with lots of fun and laughter.

Each activity will be lead by experienced and fully trained experts- with all safety regulations being adhered to.

They will be in charge of everything to do with the activities, whilst Queensgate Staff will be there to cheer the children on, make sure they are following the code and encouraging them to give it a go!

Group Leaders

Our school group will have our own group leader who will be our go-to person for any issues we may have. They will be there when we arrive and throughout our stay to make sure everything goes to plan!





Safety at Kingswood

Peace of mind

Safety comes first at Kingswood; we're founding members of the British Activity Providers Association (BAPA) and affiliated to a whole range of governing bodies. We employ safeguarding leaders and every team member undergoes enhanced DBS checks. There are secure boundaries around our centres and regular night patrols as standard. We're also designated COVID-safe by Kaddi.





Covid policy

The key steps we are taking to ensure everybody who visits are safe include:

- All team members are tested for covid twice weekly
- Deep cleaning cycles and sanitiser stations. All equipment will be regularly sanitised according to the government's regulations
- PPE will be worn by our team when carrying out safety checks. We will always respect your wishes if you would like to wear your own face covering

Behaviour

Kingswood staff will have high expectations for behaviour particularly when it comes to using the equipment safely and listening to the instructions. If children are not following their rules, the Kingswood staff have the right to stop a child from taking part for the safety of other team members and the staff themselves.



Frequently Asked Questions

- Q. Can my child bring their phone?
- A. No electronic devices can be taken on site, other than medical equipment.
- Q. Can I collect my child if they are homesick?
- A. No! Parents will not be permitted on to the site unless this has been pre-arranged or is a medical necessity. Children will be looked after and reassured if they are homesick- make the most of some child free time!
- Q. My child is scared of heights, do they HAVE to do everything?
- A. All children will be encouraged to try and have a go but no one will be forced to do anything they really don't want to.





Q. What happens if my child is hurt or ill?

A. All Kingswood staff have first aid training so small issues will be dealt with on site. If more detailed care is required we will contact whomever is on down as the emergency contact on your child's medical form.

Q. What does my child need to bring? Can they take anything that isn't on the kit list?

A. The kit list should have been sent home- but we have spares. Just the items on the list unless you have made a specific arrangement for a particular medical need. Remember that the children have to be responsible for carrying and repacking their suitcase! Don't pack best clothes as they are likely to get dirty. Do name everything.

Q. Will my child be with their best friend?

A. All children will be with a friend in their bedroom and in their group, but this is also an opportunity to get to know other children in the year group.

Q. What if my child doesn't sleep?

A. The children are likely to be very tired from all of their activities but there will no doubt be some who want to stay up all night- there will be a lights out time and Queensgate staff will be on night time patrols. Children have safe access to the toilets throughout the night. If your child is a bed wetter we do recommend pull-ups that can be disposed of discretely.

Here's a taster!



