Year 6 Wales Residential

2025

Wales 2026

We will cover:

Staffing

Health and Safety

Activities

Accommodation

Expectations

Packing

Medical issues

Questions

(This will be uploaded onto the website, so you don’t need to take notes)

Staff will be around at the end if you would like to speak to someone in private.

Argoed Lwyd Outdoor Education Centre

Address: Libanus, Brecon, Powys, LD3 8EN

Phone number: 01874 622 914

Email address: argoedlwyd@hants.gov.uk

360 degree tour of the site can be found at the following link:

Argoed Lwyd Outdoor Education Centre - Google Maps

Argoed Lwyd is a Hampshire run centre in the Brecon Beacons.

Staffing

Group 1 – Eagles

30.11.26 – 4.12.26

Miss Z. Morgan

Mr Viney

Miss Thorpe

Mr Biss

Mr Morgan

Group 2 – Falcons

7.12.26 – 11.12.26

Miss Z. Morgan

Mr Taylor

Miss Thorpe

Mr Smith/Mrs Watson

Mr King

Mr Morgan



Health and Safety

Miss Morgan to lead both visits and has the “Leading in Open Country” qualification

Teaching staff are first aid trained

Specialist instructors lead the hazardous pursuits, supported by school staff who know the children

Pupils will travel to Wales by coach, but once in Wales will be driven from to the activities via minibus, by staff at Argoed Lwyd. These staff have the appropriate training and licenses.

Risk Assessment

Pre- visit is undertaken to:

Carry out risk assessments

Agree controls

Check sites for changes in terrain

Throughout the visit assessment is on-going and decisions made according to the weather, group of children, conditions on the ground and expert advice

Risk assessment decides the activities that the children do – therefore, the itinerary may change or be different for each week depending on the conditions.

Expected Itinerary

Monday – travel, settling in, evening activity on site

Tuesday – AM school-staff led walk to a local Trig point, via the Brecon Beacons Visitor Centre
PM – canoeing
Evening – activity on site or star gazing depending on the weather

Wednesday – Mountain walk – hopefully Pen y Fan
Evening – activity on site or star gazing depending on the weather

Thursday – AM Caving
PM – Waterfall walk
Evening – packing and activity on site

Friday – final packing, travelling

Monday arrival at school

Arrive at school at the usual time. Enter via the side door of the main hall.

Children will enter the hall with luggage and staff will tell you where to put luggage.

Children will be registered and go to the toilet.

Leave school at between 9 and 9:30.

Parents are welcome to wait outside until we leave if you wish to wave them off!

All medicine to our school first aider in a clearly labelled bag/container – this must be by an adult as you will need to complete and sign a document giving permission for administration of medicines.

Please also provide instructions on administration e.g. times, dose etc.

Children should have no medication in their possession.

Please also consider travel sickness medication and what time this will need to be administered for both journeys.

Monday

Children should have with them:

To be left in the hall:

-Suitcase with their main packing

-Wellies (could be in their main bag or separately)

-Cake in a named container (more info later)

-*Optional: Up to £8 cash in a named envelope (more info later)*

To keep with them:

-Rucksack with packed lunch and water bottle

-Waterproof coat

Accommodation

Hampshire Mountain Centre

Children sleep in rooms with bunk beds. Size varies between 3 – 11 children (children will be informed of these **on arrival**)

Drying room

Lounge

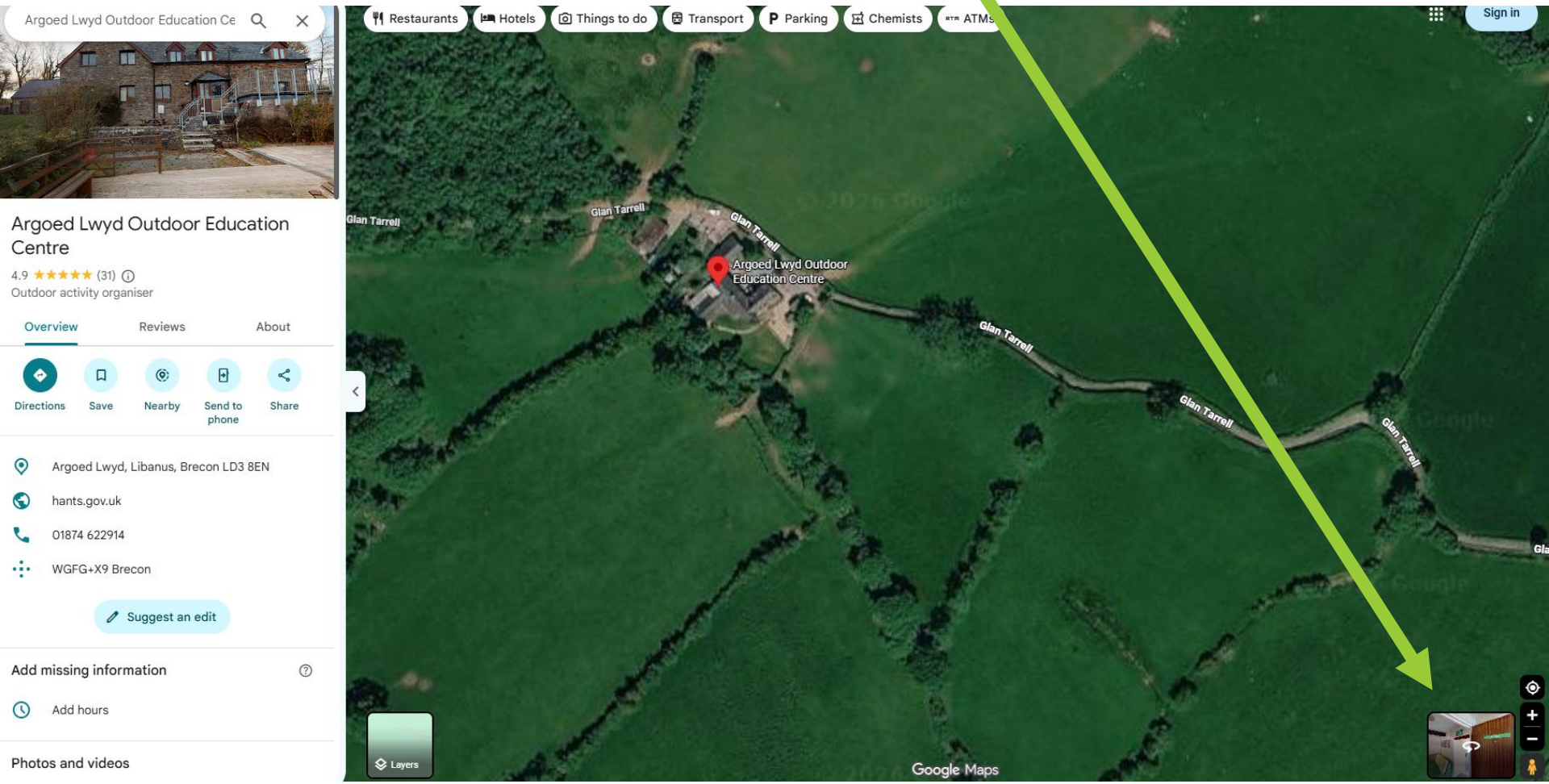
Dining room

Classroom




ARGOED LWYD
Outdoor Education Centre
KEY
A Farmhouse
B Classroom
C Annex
D Dining room
E Longbarn
F Kit Stores
G Outside shelter
H Car and Minibus Parking
I Drying rooms
General waste bins
Recycling Point
BBQ
Fire Assembly Point
Hampshire County Council

360º tour of the centre



Google maps – Argoed Lwyd Outdoor Education Centre

Meals – self-catered

Breakfast – this will be cereal, toast and spread, and some cooked items (e.g. sausage, hash browns, beans)

Children will make their own packed lunch (you may want to practice sandwich making!) – sandwich, fruit, crisps, cereal bar

Dinner

The children will be involved in laying the table and helping to do some washing up throughout the week.

Allergies/Dietary Requirements

Please make sure that you indicate any allergies or dietary requirements on the medical form.

If your child has an allergy or dietary requirement, there is a separate form to complete to give us more information on suitable/unsuitable foods (e.g. are they allowed food that says ‘may contain’)

Any changes to dietary requirements, please ensure that the school is made aware prior to the trip.

Expectations





Children are expected to behave extremely well and work together as part of a team

They are expected sleep!

No mobile phones, ipads, electronic games, smart-watches or hand held electronic devices of any kind

Small games such as card games, top trumps or travel games are great for the children to bring

Cameras are allowed but **must** be named and are the responsibility of the children at all times

No sweets/chocolate allowed (we will take these off the children if they are found to have them whilst we are away)

Gift Shop

Pupils may bring up to £8 cash in a named envelope.

Note: prices and items may vary, this is last year's selection



PRICE LIST

SOFT TOYS

Sheep	£8
Dragon	£8

KEYRINGS

Sheep	£2.50
Dragon	£2.50
Photo	£2

STATIONARY

Pencil	£1
Notebook	£2

NOVELTY

Foam Rugby Ball	£3.50
Spiky LED Bouncy Ball	£3
Rainbow Spring	£2.50
Bendy Man	£3
Squeezy Sheep	£2
Dragon Solar Pal	£3.50
Mood Ring	£3.50

Free Time

Kept to a minimum

Children are only in their rooms for washing, changing and sleeping. They are otherwise expected to be in the communal lounge.

Children can bring books or notebooks/pens and small games (at their responsibility!)

Bedtime

- Free time before bedtime to allow for games, reading, changing etc.

-Children will be given time to settle into their rooms before lights out. The time will vary depending on the activities taking place.

-St Francis staff will be awake and available until all children are settled. St Francis staff will have signs on their doors so children are familiar with their location.

-A light will be left on in the corridor so children are able to find their way to the toilets. Emergency lighting in the rooms means that they are not totally dark during the night.

- Please let us know privately if your child may need any additional support overnight e.g. bedwetting, sleepwalking, settling.

Clothing
Please name all items

A full kit list has been sent home today.

- Warm clothes are essential (snow on the mountains – wind chill)
- Waterproofs are supplied by centre- A lightweight waterproof is useful for the first/last day when we are travelling
- Layers – **no jeans** or tight fitting trousers, range of long sleeved tops and warm layers including sweaters/jogging bottoms. Leggings or skins are good as an underlayer.
- Gloves, hats, scarves – **these are essential**
- Socks (long, thick and warm) and spare socks. **NO** ankle or bed socks for walking
- Lypsyll/Vaseline
- Torch
- **NO** jewellery
- Ideally your child would pack their bag with your guidance (or at least watch you do it)

Shoes and bedding

Indoor pair (usually slippers) to wear in the accommodation.

Outdoor pair (often trainers) to wear when travelling and when moving around the outside parts of the accommodation.

Wellington boots that fit! **NAMED** (they will be walking in them!) (a few pairs are available from the centre if required)

Walking boots and rucksacks will be provided by the Hampshire Mountain Centre.

IMPORTANT

- Children need to bring a single duvet sheet, single bed sheet and pillowcase

Medical Information



It is vital that information provided on the forms is accurate and up to date

If you wish a teacher to administer any tablets or medicines please could you make sure the instructions are clear and labelled and passed to the allocated staff member on the morning of departure

Bring all medicines from home (inhalers etc.) – **we won't take the ones from school unless specifically requested**

If we have any concerns we will ring home to ask your advice

Please make sure your contact numbers are correct

Photograph permission – this is to allow the staff at Argoed Lwyd to take photos, which they may possibly use for their social media. Please complete and return.

Treats

Please bring a cake in a named container (no nuts) – maximum 8 slices

These will be shared and eaten throughout the week.

No sweets - the children get plenty of food.



Parents



We would love you to wave us goodbye.

Departure and arrival times are very approximate.

Departure: Between 9 – 9.30 am

Arrival: We are due back at 2.00pm on the Fridays . If you are here to collect them they may go home once the bus has been unpacked.

We will contact you on the Friday if the collection time is going to be more than 10 minutes either side of 2pm.

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We are looking forward to a rewarding and enjoyable visit.