

What to bring...

You can store your clothes in a green box provided in the dormitory. Before you settle down in the dormitories you have a guided tour to show you where to keep your kit and where to sleep. Always keep the fire exit clear. Sweets are NOT allowed in the dormitories.

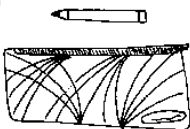
You will also need to take lots of clothing as you could get wet or dirty in the activities you do. Pyjamas will also be needed.

Bedding is not needed as there is already some at the Centre, but bring a towel.



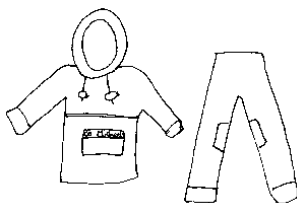
Don't bring too much pocket money.

Teddy bears can be brought. Slippers or trainers will be required inside the building as boots are not allowed indoors.



You will need to bring your pencil case as there is a classroom on the premises.

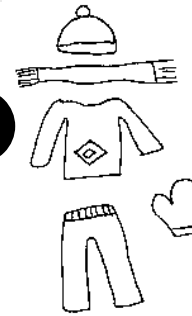
There are rucksacks, boots and waterproofs provided at the Centre, so you don't need to bring them, but you can if you have your own already. You will have to clean your boots at the end of your stay.



If you go to Hathersage in the winter you will need to wear or take:

Mittens or gloves and a woolly hat

warm clothes



Jeans can be included but do not wear them for walks because they make you cold if you get them wet.



If you go to Hathersage in the summer you will need to wear or take...

cap

sunglasses

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shorts

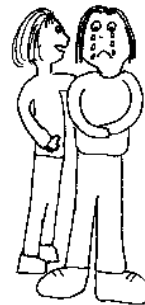


...as well as some warmer clothes.

And finally!

Write and send a postcard to your family.

When you are away from home, share and be friendly. If someone is crying because they miss their mum and dad, make them feel better.



Lots of people find it hard going away from home so if you see someone upset, comfort them!

**SO THE MESSAGE IS:
BE CARING AND ENJOY YOUR VISIT!**

This leaflet has been designed and written by pupils from Underwood, Misson and Cantrell Primary Schools.



**Welcome to
St Michael's
Centre
in Hathersage**

Hathersage is renowned for its buildings and incredible walks and views.

This is about St Michael's Environmental Education Centre, which used to be an old mill that used to make needles. It was also a hospital in World War 1. It was once a school but when it closed in 1984 it only had 4 children in it.



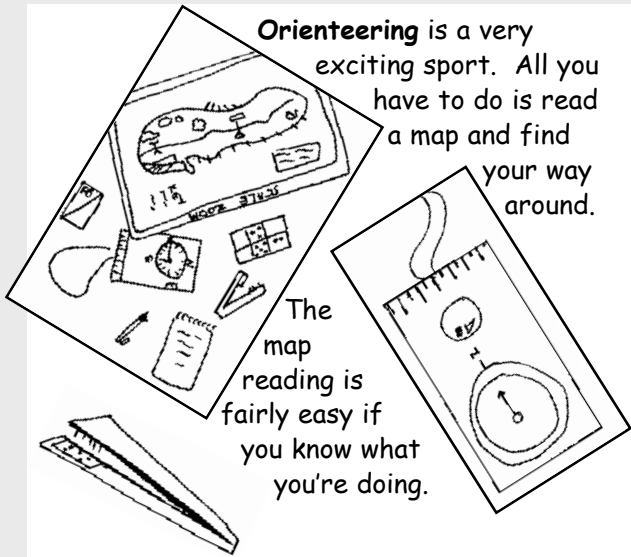
When coming to Hathersage you need to help each other and work together. For example some people won't know how to make a bed so **HELP THEM!**



Sharing is very important here at St Michael's because there can be a lot of you, so if you want something, be patient.

At St Michael's, the staff and teachers will cook the dinner but you can do your bit too, like washing up, stacking chairs or wiping tables.

THERE ARE JOBS FOR YOU TO DO!

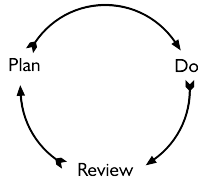


Orienteering is a very exciting sport. All you have to do is read a map and find your way around.

The map reading is fairly easy if you know what you're doing.

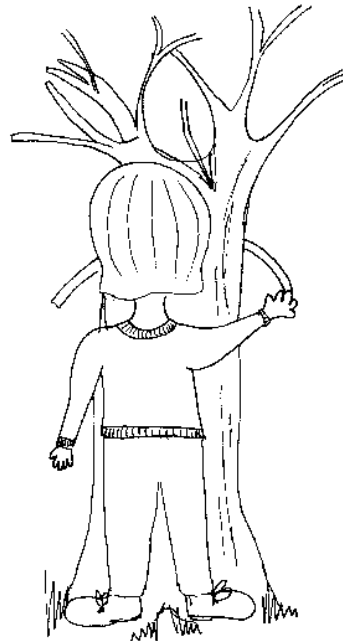
ACTIVITIES

Here are some of the activities that you can do at St Michael's. There is never enough time to do everything available, so even if you were lucky enough to visit the Centre again, there are lots of new things to do.



Trailblazer

If you do Trailblazer at your school, you can get lots of credits if you work hard during your visit to St Michael's. It is important to plan what you are going to do before you do it and after the activity think about what you have learnt.

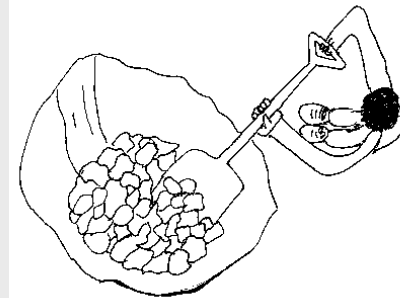


Field Studies

When you stay in Hathersage you learn a lot about the environment. You might do tree studies or village studies. One of the activities in the summer is water studies but **DON'T FALL IN** the stream!

Practical Conservation/ Service to the Environment

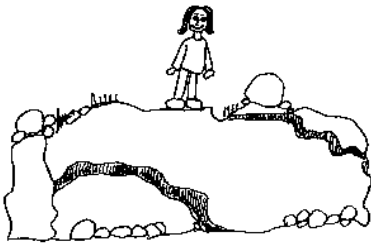
Conservation is really enjoyable. It's fun digging out the pond, clipping the hedge and weeding. You also learn how to use tools safely.



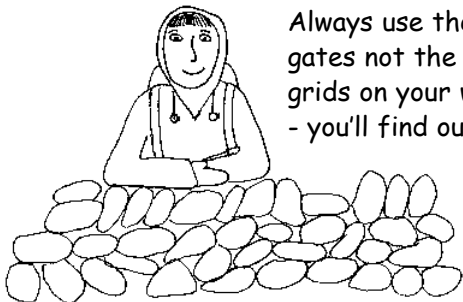
The reason for doing the conservation is to encourage more plants and wildlife.

Outdoor Pursuits, Safety and Survival

There are lots of walks to go on from St Michael's. Some places like Stanage are very rocky.

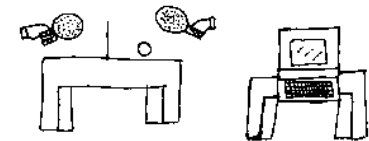


The hiking boots at the Centre help you on your walk because they have got a good grip, the soles are strong and they keep your feet dry when it is raining.



Always use the gates not the cattle grids on your walks - you'll find out why!

You can enjoy playing games such as table tennis, kwik cricket, unihok, board games, computers and keyboard. You might want to have a concert, so be prepared.



Look after the Centre's resources and then they will be there next time your school visits St Michael's.