

the GREENROOM school

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GR Fest 2023

29 - 30 June @ Old Park Farm (GRK)

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very excited to announce that our seventh annual festival, GR Fest 2023, will take place from 29-30 June this year at The Green Room Kingsley.

The festival is a brilliant opportunity for our schools (Windsor, Kingsley and College) to get together and celebrate the year gone by. It is also a poignant moment to say goodbye to the pupils who are leaving us. It all takes place on the beautiful grounds of Old Park Farm, our school site in Kingsley, where for **one night only**, we create our very own festival. This year we will have lots of attractions and activities, a delicious meal, a fire and a live band. Everyone camps over in the field for the night before returning home the next day.

In this letter you will find lots of information. Please read it through and let us know if you have any questions. We will also need you to complete the [online consent](#) and [medical forms](#) which will be emailed to you shortly.

The festival is free to attend. However, if you are able to provide your own **sleeping bag/airbed or self inflating mat**, this would be very helpful. You could also make a donation to help us purchase more school and camping equipment, which will help for all the upcoming trips too. We also have an [Amazon wishlist](#) specific to the festival if you would like to contribute that way. Thank you in advance for all your kind contributions.

We hope that all pupils will attend the Festival. It will be a memorable event and one that is carefully planned with a high ratio of staff to pupils. You can check out one of our previous festivals by clicking [here](#). As you know, we can be flexible to all pupils' needs, so please get in touch with any concerns or requests.

We are sure, as ever, that this will be the best one yet. We very much look forward to being with our pupils at this year's GR Fest!

Yours,
The Green Room Schools

Start a path.

Festival Agenda

Here is the basic agenda for the festival.

Thursday 29 June:

9:45	Arrive at GRW/GRK as usual. GRC please arrive at GRW.
10:15	GRW/GRC travel to GRK
11:15	Welcome refreshments / set up camp
12:30	Lunch
13:00	The Festival Opening and afternoon activities
16:00	Afternoon Tea & Get Prom ready (Dress in your finest, the more colour, the better!
17:30	Arrival at Prom and Welcome drinks
18:00	Dinner
19:00	Speeches and awards ceremony
20:00	Bonfire / Live Band
22:00	Glo-ball UV Dodgeball
22:30	Get Ready for bed
23:30	Lights out

Friday 1 July:

08:00	Breakfast / Pack up tents
10:00	Activities
12:30	Lunch
13:30	All pupils depart (GRW/GR6/Wings pupils travel to Windsor for normal transport home and GRK finish at the usual Friday time of 13.45)

The Green Room Kingsley is located at 1 Old Park Farm, Forge Road, Kingsley, GU35 9LU. If you would like any further details on any of the activities or events, please get in touch.

Please note there is **NO SCHOOL** on Wednesday 28 June as it's Inset Day and staff will be setting up the festival.

Medication

If your child needs to take medication during the course of the festival please complete the [online form](#) and ensure the medication is brought to school in its original packaging with complete dosage instructions including whether refrigeration is required. We will have pain relief and hayfever tablets and already have your instructions whether or not your child can take paracetamol, ibuprofen and antihistamine. First Aid, if required, will be delivered during the festival.

Allergies and Dietary Requirements

We already have a record of your child's allergies and dietary requirements but do get in touch if you have any concerns.

Electrical equipment

Phones will be collected as usual on arrival and given back in the evening (GRC rules on this will be communicated separately). Please note there will be no Wi-Fi and signal is poor. There will be no opportunity to charge phones or other electronic devices. All electrical equipment is brought at your own risk. There will be lots of games and activities for everyone to enjoy so hopefully iPads, mobiles and social media will not be missed!

We recommend keeping valuables safely at home to avoid upset if lost/broken. Obviously every care will be taken to keep belongings safe, but ultimately, responsibility for any belongings lies with your child. Please name all your child's belongings - should anything get lost, a named item can be returned to the correct owner quicker than an item that isn't named.

Money

There will be no need for your child to bring money to GR Fest as everything is included.

There will be, as usual, no cost to the trip, but as mentioned above, any contributions will be greatly appreciated. You can make your donation via bank transfer to the school account:

Account Name: The Green Room Foundation Ltd.
Sort Code: 09-01-28
Account: 24613001
Reference: 'Your Child's Initials' GRFest.

This year a useful contribution would be towards updating some of our camping equipment. Here is a reference of prices for these items:

Camping Tent - £49.99

Camping Lamp - £5.99

Alternatively, you can purchase items off our Amazon wishlist here: <https://amzn.eu/5lOxfZq>

Please send these items to: The Green Room School Kingsley, 1 Old Park Farm, Forge Road, Kingsley, Bordon GU35 9LU

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

What to bring:

(Please try your best to condense this to one carry-on size piece of luggage)

CLOTHES (please name belongings!)

Underwear x2	Socks x2	Sweatshirt x1
Shorts x1	T-shirts x2	Jeans/joggers x2
2nd pair of trainers/sandals	Flip flops/pool sliders (optional)	Pyjamas
Waterproof coat	Sun hat	Sunglasses
Torch	Pillow	Towel
Prom Outfit *	Make-up (if desired)	Swimwear
Wellies		

*We are celebrating, so we encourage pupils and staff to come in your brightest and best colours!

TOILETRIES

Toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant/antiperspirant, hairbrush, sun cream

EQUIPMENT

Pillow

Airbed/self inflating mat or rolling mat

Sleeping Bag*

Torch*

*Please confirm if you are able to provide these items in the consent form.

All tents will be provided.

Optional: decorations for your tent ie: battery operated fairy lights, lanterns, bunting etc

CONTRABAND

Please ensure your child does not bring anything that would compromise the safety of our pupils. These include but are not limited to: alcohol, cigarettes, e-cigarettes, matches and lighters, drugs or weapons, fireworks or “snaps” containing gunpowder. The school will be conducting bag checks prior to the start of the festival. If you would like more clarification on what will not be allowed, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

