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Good friends are hard to come by, but St. Helen's Primary has some of the best! Thanks to a very generous donation from our friends at the Old Dy'vorians, the pupils of Year 6 were able to go on a once in a lifetime experience to Borfa House for an overnight residential trip. Without the financial support of the Old Dy'vorians, our trip would not have been possible! We cannot thank you enough and we hope you enjoy these memories just as much as we did making them!



## Leaving School!

At first, leaving home for three days was a little nerve-racking! But as soon as we hit the road, the adventure could start! We waved off our parents, and set off! We arrived safe and sound and were welcomed by our lovely Activity Leaders: Steve, Stuart and Dav! We were shown our rooms, our dining room and lounge!



#### Lunch in the Sun!

There have been residential trips in the wind, and residential trips in the rain! But this year...we were so lucky! After our tour of Borfa House, it was time for a picnic lunch outside in the sunshine! It was perfect!







### Beach Adventure!

If it's one thing Year 6 like...it's the beach!

We live so close to Swansea Bay so the children were very excited to visit Port

Eynon Beach!

We went for a gorgeous coastal walk,

taking in all the sights along the way!







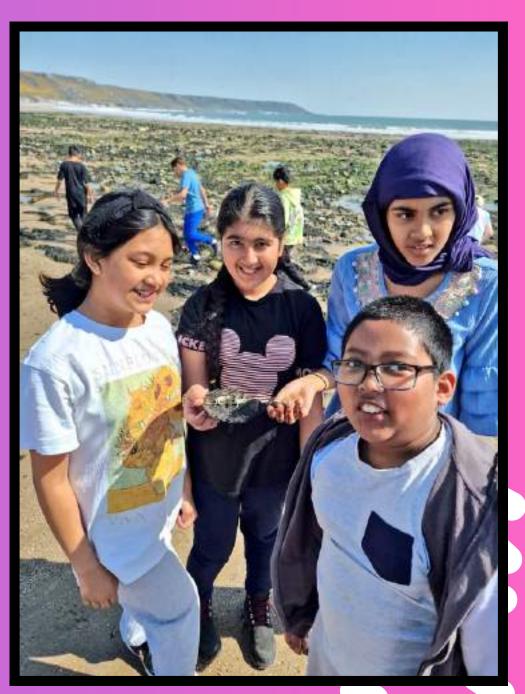


## **Exploring The Coast!**

Along our coastal walk we spent some time rock-pooling, searching for unusual objects and natural habitats of different sea creatures. Some of us were lucky to find glittering shells and rocks ... others found crabs!







#### The Salthouse

Y6 are hunting for a treasure tunnel that leads all the way from the Salt House in Port Eynon to Culver Hole. Legend has it that the tunnel would fit small children to smuggle treasure from one end of the bay to the other! Will we find it!?







## Port Eynon Mountains

We're past the Salt House and on the way to discover if the secret tunnels lead through the mountain! We can only get there by foot, so here we began our climb! The walk took us past some gorgeous cliffs and stunning views of the crashing sea!









## Culver Hole

The mountain march led us to Culver Hole, a legendary hideaway for pirates and smugglers.





#### Dinner Time!

We are so hungry after our long day out in the sunshine and walking the cliffs. Luckily it was pizza and chips for tea!! We ate it so fast that we didn't even get any photos!







## Movie Night!

With dinner in our bellies, the best thing to do at this point was relax! We all changed into comfy pyjamas and watched a movie with some delicious homemade cookies made by our new friends at Borfa!



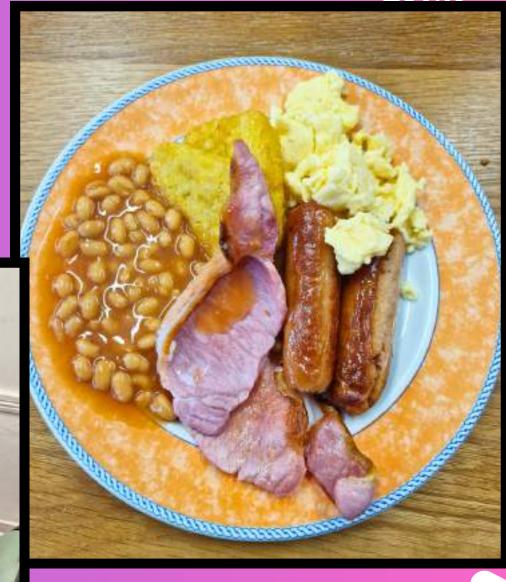
#### **Breakfast!**

Year 6 made it through the night and had the best breakfast! We are loaded up on energy and ready for a full day of bushcraft out in the woods! But first we have to tidy up after ourselves and lay the table for dinner!











## Is there anything better than a full English breakfast in the morning?!





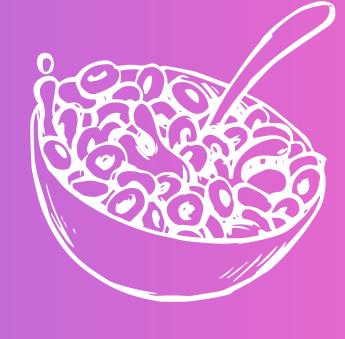














## **Bread Making!**

Before we left for a morning out in the woods, we were told at some point we would be making fires. We mixed our own dough to make bread, and planned to have a nice snack for lunch!



## Base Camp!

We are off to the forest! First stop is our base camp! We've gathered wood, spoken about fire safety and lit a fire together, all adding wood to keep it burning all afternoon!







## Base Camp!

The campfire is lit! Now we're off to make mini fires of our own using flint and steel!

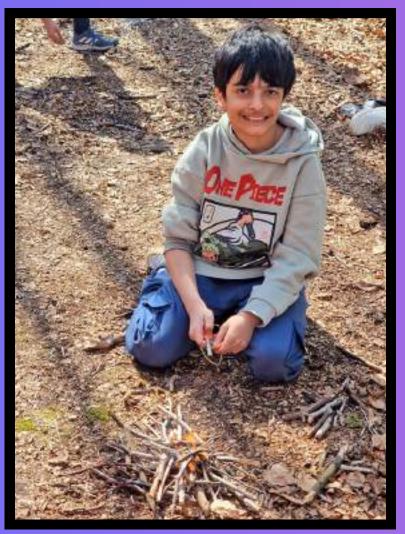




## Camp Fires!

Success! We've all used flint and steel to make our own fires! Surviving in the wild is a piece of cake for this lot!







## Making Our Own Bread!

Our home made bread drizzled in honey has been the perfect after lunch snack. We baked it over the campfire and now we're full!







## Hot Chocolate and Marshmallows!

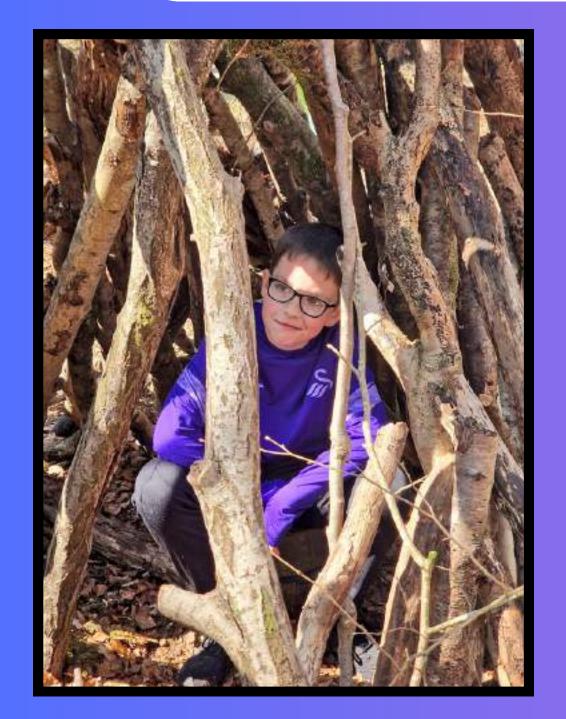
Okay, so we thought the bread and honey was the perfect snack – then we cracked the marshmallows and hot chocolate out! Year 6 are very happy!



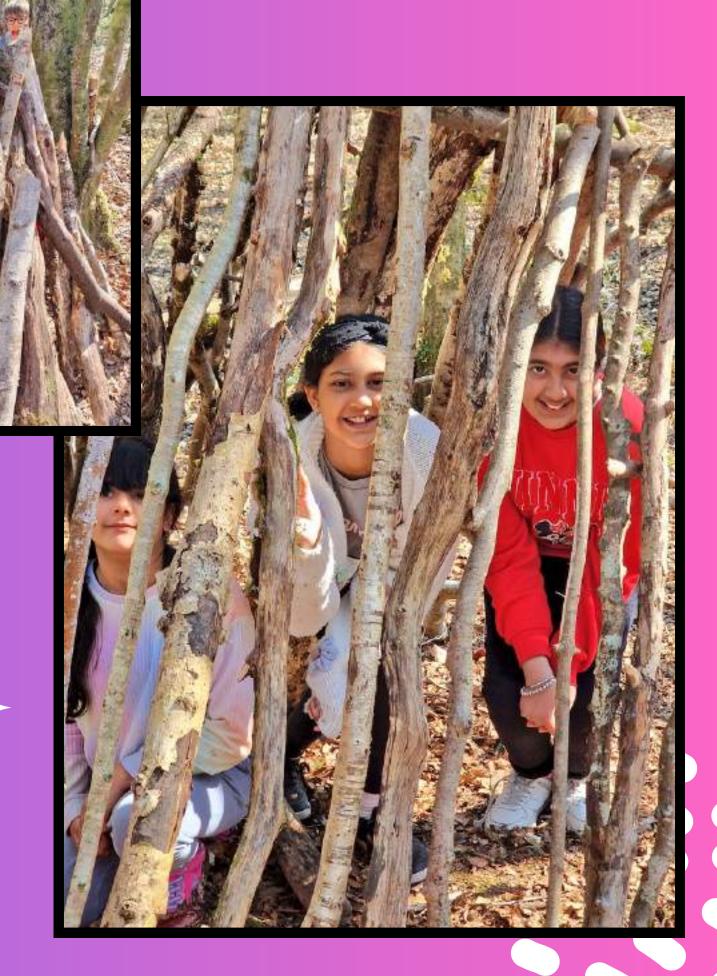


## Den Building!

Making dens in the forest has been an absolute blast! We can now survive in the wild without help







#### A New Friend!

Meet the newest member of St. Helen's school
- Squirt the Frog! This little guy found his
way down to the campfire today! We put him
back in the river with his pals!







#### **Dinner Time!**

We've all had delicious dinners this evening!

Some of us have had a roast dinner (first time trying a Yorkshire pudding for some: game changer!)... some of us have had a jacket potato...and some of us have had both!



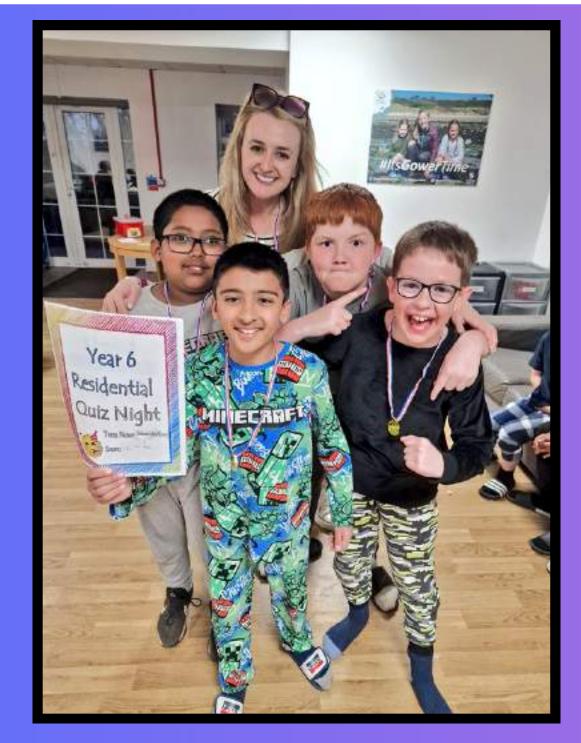




#### Quiz Night!

Pens at the ready for Residential Quiz Night! We've had a general knowledge round, true or false, celebrity face swap, guess the chocolate bar and a final round all about our Y6 journey so far! Congrats to the winners, who had a sneaky helping hand from Miss.

Stevens! We were so lucky that some of our teachers came to visit us!





### Final Morning!

We had a great nights sleep last night! We are all up and ready to go! Breakfast is done and we are out for our first morning walk! We are off to the Lifeboat Station for a quick look at the amazing work they do for this community!



#### **RLNI Station!**

What an amazing morning with the very brave people at the RNLI station. We have learnt so much about the very tough job they do, and the lifesaving service they provide!





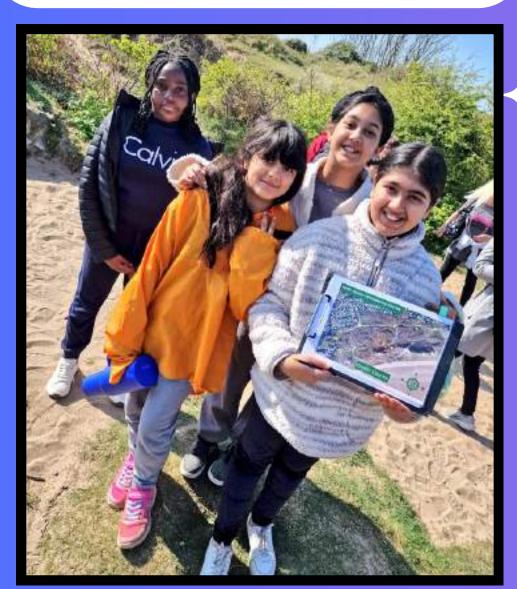
#### **RLNI Station!**

We have looked at some very important equipment the RLNI use in their day to day mission to help this community! The RLNI is made up totally of volunteers, so helping them is really important!



## Orienteering!

An afternoon of orienteering! The game is on! We are using map skills to navigate the sand dunes of Gower!
Who will be first to hit every marker? Ready, steady, GO!





#### Orienteering!

We have had the best time! We have to thank the amazing staff at Borfa House for taking care of us, and Mrs. Fredrickson, Miss.

Begum and Mr. Branford for a life changing few days conquering fears, spending quality time together and having an absolute blast!





