

## The Big School Camp F&Q's

### **What is the Big School Camp? (BSC)**

The Big School Camp create full sized, temporary, campsites with a host of outdoor learning experiences at schools that encourage children and young people to build resilience, strengthen their mind-set and engage with nature.

Find out more. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-MusKpz\\_p3o](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=-MusKpz_p3o)

Meet the team. <https://www.bigschoolcamp.co.uk/about>

### **What sort of activities will they be doing during the day?**

Typical activities are, **Science** (Water clarification and sanitise, Egg Fling or stretcher build and race) **Shelter Building**, **Camp Fire** (Toasting Marshmallows and songs) Super Medics **First Aid** Workshop, and **Orienteering**.

### **Will there be staff from school present during the BSC event?**

Whilst the BSC will lead the BSC event, familiar staff from your child's year group will be present during the day and will be joining in in on some of the activities with them.

### **What should my child wear on their day camp?**

On your BSC day, children should arrive to school wearing their PE Kit (navy shorts, white t-shirts and trainers/Plimsolls) It is advisable for children to wear jogging bottoms and zipped hoodie over the top for comfort, as they maybe getting down and dirty!

We don't anticipate rain but a water proof jacket would be advisable if the weather is not looking so good nearer the time.

**IMPORTANT, items to bring** - Sun hat, sun cream and water bottle.

### **What should I bring if I am camping overnight? (Year 5 & 6 only)**

A suggested kit list will be sent out separately.

### **My child is in year 5/6 and will be camping, will the teachers be camping too?**

Yes, we have a full team of excited Year 5/6 Teachers and TA's looking forward to the Big School Camping experience. They will be staying up all night in tents close by to ensure your children are safe and happy.

The BSC team will not be on site overnight.

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## What size are the tents?

We have Brand new euro hike 6 & 8 man tents.

Each tent has two sleeping pods, and a living area you can stand up in the middle. I have added a link showing you the tent <https://www.blacks.co.uk/15987569/102132-eurohike-buckingham-elite-6-family-tent-green>



### [Eurohike Buckingham Elite 6 Family Tent | Blacks](https://www.blacks.co.uk/15987569/102132-eurohike-buckingham-elite-6-family-tent-green)

The perfect family tent for every outdoor adventure, the Eurohike Buckingham Elite 6 has a spacious tunnel design and waterproof fabric construction to protect you against all the elements. The meshed doors and updated ventilation system allows for essential airflow throughout the tent and reduces condensation.

[www.blacks.co.uk](http://www.blacks.co.uk)

## How many children will be sleeping each tent?

You can sleep up to 6 or 8 in these tents. The school will decide how many students are in each tent and split into separate girl/ boy tent groups.

## Are sleeping bags provided or do they need to bring their own?

Students & staff are required to bring their own bedding.

## Are ground mats or camp beds provided?

As above, students & staff are required to bring their own bedding, roll mats, air beds.

## Will there be porta-loos or will the children be using the toilets in the school building?

To keep the environment clean safe & familiar we use the schools toilet facilities.

## If a Year 5 or Year 6 child wanted to take part in the weekend activity day but not the sleepover, would the cost be reduced?

Yes, we would reduce the cost of a student who will only be taking part in a day event. However, to get the full **Big Camp** experience, we would encourage children to sleepover. The reduced price which includes lunch is £28 which has now been added to the Gateway.