

The Mill

William Ellis's residence in the Surrey countryside

All students in Years 7-9 are encouraged to attend an annual residential trip to our Centre for Outdoor Learning; a converted corn watermill situated in the picturesque village of Forest Green, close to Dorking. Typical activities include camping, kayaking, pond-dipping and trips further afield to the Sussex Seaside and Arundel Castle. Students in older year groups may also attend for Geography and Science field trips, subject enrichment and Duke of Edinburgh expeditions.

We are very hopeful that your son will be able to take part in the annual, 5-day, Year 7 Camp next Summer. You will receive further details about this trip next term.



The Mill is not only a great place for students to develop their skills and strengthen their relationships with peers - our parents Association, WESPA, also invite parents and school staff to come together two or three times a year for a 'working weekend'; where the school community can get involved in onsite environmental and construction projects and build relationships in a relaxed setting.



The Mill is a great asset to the school and to our students' education, promoting personal development through camping, orienteering, outdoor campfire cooking and team games and activities. The setting is also an inspiring backdrop for budding artists and creative writers.



What the students say:

"The walk up the second highest point in South East England was the longest walk I've probably ever done! The view was really beautiful!" Isaiah - 7W "One of the rockets we made whizzed past Ms Conway's head! It was a fantastic experience!" Luiz – 7W "We worked as a team and built a fantastic shelter, which turned out to be amazing and very strong, it was so much fun!" Urvaksh – 7L "I loved the Castle, my tour guide was so interesting and really funny!" Zak – 7B

To find out more about The Mill, please visit their website: <u>www.themillforestgreen.co.uk</u> (be sure to click through the photo gallery for a full picture of the site through the changing seasons)