YOUR CHECKLIST FOR A GREAT RESIDENTIAL



BEFORE COURSE

COURSE TITLE:	
COURSE DATE:	
CENTRE:	
CENTRE CONTACT DETAILS:	

TO DO	ACTION	CHECK
HEADTEACHER AGREEMENT	Submit a proposal to your headteacher or governing body, seeking approval for the course in principle. Make sure you include: • Date • Duration • Cost • Cost • Course objectives • Course details • Staffing resources	
STAFFING	Get visiting staff members signed up to attend your course and also cover for them back in school. Ensure this staffing (where necessary) includes male and female supervision. Share our visiting staff guidelines: outwardbound.org.uk/VSguide	
CONFIRM YOUR BOOKING	Sign your contract and pay your 10% deposit	
RISK ASSESSMENTS	Your Outward Bound centre will have any risk assessments you need	
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS	 Send course details to parents, including: Parental consent form The course objectives How much the course will cost parents, with transport Insurance cover details 	
PARENTAL CONSENT FORMS	Set a deadline to get these back and decide who will chase outstanding forms in	
PROMOTE YOUR COURSE	Here are some resources to help you advertise and promote the course to your pupils: outwardbound.org.uk/recruitment-toolkit	
FUNDRAISING	If you're planning a fundraising event or setting students a target to raise, you'll find some tips and ideas here: outwardbound.org.uk/funding	
PRE-COURSE BRIEFING	Arrange a meeting for attending students. Be sure to talk about what they can expect on the residential and what behaviours are expected of them. Your Account Manager can send you a PowerPoint presentation or there are videos and resources here: outwardbound.org.uk/recruitment-toolkit	
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PARTICIPANT INFORMATION Forms	Send the link to our online Participant Information Form to your families to complete. This asks them for their young person's personal, medical and dietary information	
PRE-COURSE WORK	Our pre-course resources will help get your students ready for Outward Bound and add to the impact of your course. Let your account manager know if you do any pre-course work. outwardbound.org.uk/ob/before-your-course-resources	
PACK YOUR LAPTOP And camera	You'll be able to access wifi in the main areas of the centre. Please feel free to upload and share your pictures straight away. If you're sharing on social please tag in @outwardbounduk	
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS	 Arrange a parents' evening / session to share: The objectives and outcomes of your course Pre-course information packs to all parents Where and when to drop off and pick up students How you will be travelling including the name of the travel company Emergency contact back at school Details of provision for special educational or medical needs Procedures for pupils who become ill Details of the activities planned and of how the assessed risks will be managed Standards expected of students around alcohol, sexual behaviour, smoking and general group discipline including prohibited items. Money, clothing and equipment to be taken Outward Bound's kit list: outwardbound.org.uk/kitlist 	



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ACTION PLANNING	Make sure your pupils have completed their post course action planning	
SHARE YOUR STORIES	Remember to write a blog, newsletter update and upload any photos you have taken to your school's website or social media sites. Please tag @outwardbounduk and we will reshare	
CELEBRATE YOUR SUCCESS	Arrange a presentation for when you're back at school for the students and their parents. You could ask them to each give a short speech on their time at Outward Bound, what they learned, what they will take away and include all the photos from your course. Share our exciting range of Summer Adventures	
BOOK YOUR PLACE FOR Next year	Get in touch with your Account Manager to discuss dates for your next course	

