

Priory Press

The newsletter of Marrick Priory Outdoor Education and Residential Centre

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Head-lines

A Very Happy New Year!

Welcome to the latest issue of Priory Press, also included is our new price list, which will take effect from April 2009.

Once again it has been a very successful year with a busy calendar and lots of additional day groups. The continued trend of one or two groups in December and January has ensured that we have been hard at work getting all the winter maintenance done in less time than normal. Tasks completed so far include:

- painting and decorating throughout
- new carpet in the boys dormitory
- bunk beds painted and overhauled
- plastering and painting in the refectory

We hope that you will enjoy the changes which have been achieved in record time thanks, in no small part, to help from the Friends of Marrick Priory and Richmond Rotary Club.

In July, we completed a successful inspection by the Adventure Activity Licensing Authority and were awarded a new 2 year licence. If you would like to view the licence details you can do so using the link that is available on our website.



Winter Weather

We have had several days where we have woken to snow and the temperature has been hovering around freezing for several weeks now.

Please try to make sure that all of your group members are properly equipped when they arrive at the Priory, whatever the weather forecast. We do have a supply of spare clothes and shoes but these are very limited. A suggested kit list is available on our website.

Office Hours

Should you need to contact the office, you may find it helpful to know that Sandra, our administrator, will be able to help you between **9am—1pm Monday to Wednesday and 9am—1pm on Fridays.**

The Friends of Marrick Priory

The Friends have organised two concerts and an open day, all of which were very well attended. The combined funds raised will help maintain the Bursary Fund and provide items that, we hope, will make your visit more enjoyable e.g. board games, DVDs and additional waterproofs.

The Friends also visited us on several days to help with maintenance in and around the building. We are very grateful for their continued support and financial help.

If, you feel that a member of your group may require help from the bursary fund please contact us for a Bursary Form. Unfortunately we can not accept requests directly from parents or carers, so would ask that group leaders contact the Priory office, on their behalf.

Our website continues to grow, visit us at www.marrickpriory.co.uk