19th July 2022



Dear Parents,

As you know, we are organising a camp for Year 7 pupils at Cranham in Gloucestershire. Pupils in the left hand side tutor groups (MBA, ASC, MRH, MAK, FEB) will leave school on Monday 19 September at 9.00am and return for 4.30pm on Tuesday 20 September. Those in the right hand side tutor groups (AMB, JHF, RLH, LMH, ERE) will leave school at 9.00am on Wednesday 21 September and return by 4.30pm on Thursday 22 September.

The aim of the trip is to provide an opportunity for the pupils to work together, encouraging each other, experiencing activities and forming a tutor identity. While away the children will be able to take part in a wide range of activities, such as archery, orienteering, problem solving, a mini assault course and a nature trail, providing something for all interests. As well as your child's tutor and the year head, Mr Wolff, pupils will be accompanied by other staff, members of the sixth form and the tutor group prefects.

The cost of the trip is £40.00. This includes accommodation, food and transport to and from Cranham. The school will pay all tuition costs. A donation of £1,000 towards the total cost of the trip has been made by the Sheldon Student Opportunity Fund, in order to keep the cost to parents at a minimum. If you wish to find out more about the Fund, please see the website for more details. If you child is in receipt of free school meals, their costs will be covered but you will still need to register your interest on ParentPay.

The school is not able to provide any further financial support for such visits, hence the necessity to seek the voluntary contribution of £40.00 towards the trip. We regret to say that if insufficient funds are received the camp will have to be cancelled. We must also state that we would be unable to return any monies as a consequence of the late withdrawal of a student after money has been paid unless the withdrawal is due to illness.

Information detailing equipment, clothing etc that pupils need to take, telephone number of the site etc will be sent out in September.

If you would like your child to attend the Year 7 camp, payment should be made **online via ParentPay** which includes a permission checkbox, space to enter a contact number and any medical information we need to be aware of. Please contact the Finance Office for alternative methods of payment.

We sincerely hope that all Year 7 pupils will be able to go on the camp making it a successful and rewarding experience. If you have any queries concerning the trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Wolff or Mrs Hall directly, or via tutors.

Yours faithfully,

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