

26 June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

#### Activities Week - Little Canada Grow Residential

As we approach this year's exciting activities week trip, I write to you to outline our schedule for the trip and what students will need to pack to bring with them. With most of the year group going, as well as ten College staff members supporting the trip, everyone needs to be organised.

**Monday 8 July:** Students should arrive at College for 08:00-08:20, wearing suitable clothes for travelling in and a small bag for the coach. This should contain water, any morning snacks required, and personal items needed for the journey and **a packed lunch to eat on our arrival.** We will meet in the canteen and begin registering from there before leaving the College site at 08:45. On arrival at Little Canada Grow, around 11:45, we will eat lunch, orientate ourselves and then start our activities.

**Daily Schedule:** Each day has four activities., guided and instructed by PGL staff. Students will be preorganised into groups for these activities, College staff will follow groups accordingly around the centre site.

Each day we will have breakfast, lunch and dinner provided by the centre; this will be held in the dining hall. Breakfast is at 08:00, lunch is at 12:30 and dinner is 17:30. You are expected to wake up at 07:00, to shower and dress appropriately for the day ahead.

Time keeping is essential for us to get the most out of this experience. Each evening lights are expected to be out at 22:00. Students will know where staff cabins are, they are welcome to knock at these doors should a problem occur, they will also be given the emergency phone number. My expectation of the students is that they play their part in being responsible for these aspects of the day, always following both our staff and the centre staff guidance with their usual courtesy and politeness. Students are also required to keep their rooms tidy, and their belongings organised. Their room facilities and bathroom areas are to be shared appropriately and used with cleanliness.

**Wednesday 10 July:** We will leave the centre after lunch, and some activities, at 13:15. Our ferry crossing is at 14:20. We are expected to arrive back at College at 16:15. **This is outside of school time, and therefore students will need alternative arrangements to get home.** 

# **Kit List**

T-Shirt	Suncream
Long sleeved T-shirts	1 pairs of trainers
Waterproof jacket	1 pair of dry shoes
Fleeces/Jumpers (it could be chilly at night)	2 Towels
Trousers/Leggings	Drink bottle
Underwear & Socks	Bin bag for dirty clothes
Clothes for evening	Sleeping bag
Nightwear	Wash bag
Baseball cap/Hats	Hair ties

Do not bring electrical items such as laptops, game consoles.

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#### **Mobile Phones**

Whilst we encourage students to not bring a mobile phone, if you do choose to bring a mobile phone, staff will not be responsible for it. With regards to social media, you are not to post any photos/videos without the person(s) permission. Do not post something, you would not want to be posted.

### Accommodation

Cabins are shared between 4-6 students with shared facilities. Room allocations are prearranged and **will not** be changed when at the centre site. Students will be spending little time in their accommodation and that will be to sleep.

# Staff attending

Mr Jack Clements ..... Head of Year 7 (Trip Leader)

Mrs Claire Dickens ..... Assistant Principal

Miss Chloe Simmonds ...... Yr7 Tutor Miss Izzy Howard ....... Yr7 Tutor Mr Andrew Hayward ...... Yr7 Tutor Mrs Bridget Carver ....... Yr7 Tutor

Mr Max Spearman...... Learning Mentor Mrs Hannah Reynolds...... Learning Mentor Mr Ashley Lamb..... Head of Year 10 Dr Sarah Jessop...... Vice Principal

## **Parental Contact**

Should your child become ill or injured **we will contact you** at the earliest convenient opportunity using the contact details you have provided on the consent forms for this trip. We will obviously care for your child with our staff and the centre staff as appropriate.

Whilst I do not expect to have to sanction students during this trip, myself and College staff supporting the trip will act accordingly where we are made aware of inappropriate behaviour/incidents. Should it be necessary to contact you about this whilst we are on the trip then I will do so at the earliest convenient opportunity. This maybe for a discussion or it may be for your support in an issue that has arisen.

Finally, it leaves me to wish all the students an enjoyable trip, I am sure we will all have a wonderful trip together and enjoy some time away from College.

Yours sincerely

Mr J Clements Head of Year 7