

6 February 2019

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7/8 PGL - Liddington Trip
Friday 12 July 2019 - Monday 15 July 2019

I am pleased to inform you that your child has successfully got a place on the Year7/8 PGL trip which is taking place from Friday 12 July 2019 to Monday 15 July 2019.

We will be going to the PGL centre in Liddington near Swindon which we have used before. **We will be holding a parent information evening on Thursday 6 June 2019 at 5.00pm** to allow parents to find out more about the trip, the venue and the activities and allow you to ask any questions you may have.

We will then hold a final pre-trip meeting on Monday 8 July 2019 at 5.00pm. It is a requirement that all parents and pupils attend both meeting as we will be filling in critical paperwork and giving out key information. If you are unable to attend the date given, please contact Mr Merrick ASAP.

To give you a little more information about the trip:

- We will be leaving during the morning of Friday 12 July 2019 and will return to school around 3.30pm on Monday 15 July 2019. We will be travelling by coach.
- Pupils will need to bring with them either a sleeping bag or a duvet and pillow, suitable clothing and footwear. This will be discussed at the first meeting giving parents time to prepare.

There are a few things it would be useful to know now. During the course of the weekend we will be undertaking a variety of vertical challenges and water based activities. During these, all pupils will wear a life jacket but we will need to know if your child is:

- o **Not water confident** (cannot swim and may panic in water)
- o **Water confident** (can duck their head under water and can swim 15 metres in a life jacket without panicking)
- o **Competent swimmer** (able to swim 50 metres unaided)

All food is provided during the weekend, please let me know if your child has any dietary requirements / allergies we need to make PGL aware of.

Finally, the next payment of £80 is due by Friday 15 February 2019 and the final payment for the trip of £79 by Thursday 4 April 2019. All payments must go to the finance office by the dates given, so we can pay the final instalment to PGL. Any late payments may jeopardise the trip.

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Please complete and return the below slip to Mr Merrick by Friday 15 March 2019, if you would prefer to reply via email this is also fine, my email is merricka@highcrestacademy.org.uk

If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

Mr Merrick
Senior Head of Learning

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PLEASE RETURN TO MR MERRICK BY FRIDAY 15 MARCH 2019

Year 7/8 PGL Reply Slip

Student Name _____ Form _____

Dietary requirements: _____

Swimming* – Not water confident / Water confident / Competent swimmer

(* Please delete as appropriate.)

I am able to attend the meetings on Thursday 6 June 2019 and Monday 8 July 2019.

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PLEASE RETURN TO THE FINANCE OFFICE BY FRIDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2019

Year 7/8 PGL Trip

Student Name _____ Form _____

I enclose instalment of £80

Cash **Cheque (payable to The Highcrest Academy)**

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PLEASE RETURN TO THE FINANCE OFFICE BY THURSDAY 4 APRIL 2019

Year 7/8 PGL Trip

Student Name _____ Form _____

I enclose final payment of £79.

Cash **Cheque (payable to The Highcrest Academy)**