



Headteacher: Mr David Snell

18<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Dear Parents/Carers

**Activities Week - Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July to Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July**

We are pleased to share the options available to our Year 8 pupils for our annual Activities week.

**Option 1 - PGL Activity Holiday (£280)** - 2 nights/3-day trip to PGL Claythorpe Centre. Pupils will participate in a range of activities to include kayaking, abseiling, giant swing, raft building and zip wire, amongst others. Cost includes accommodation, bed linen, food and travel. This is a firm favourite amongst our pupils!

**\*Option 2 - Junior DofE (£200)** - Pupils will take part in a challenging 4 nights / 5-day adventure where they will experience; Dark tunnel walk, abseiling, gorge scramble, bush craft, orienteering, River canoe trip, team challenges, camping and more. This trip is not for the faint hearted and is only recommended for those children who are comfortable staying away from home in tents and have experience hiking etc. This trip will be held within the heart of the Brecon Beacons. **Please see notes below re oversubscription.**

**\*Option 3 - Paris (£500approx)** - Pupils will travel by coach to the wonderful city of Paris where they will enjoy the city's great attractions and historic sites and a day at the World famous Disney Land Paris. Cost includes accommodation, food and travel leaving on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July and returning Friday 12<sup>th</sup> July. **Please see notes below re oversubscription.**

**Option 4 - Enterprise Package.** This will involve exciting school based challenges to tap into pupil entrepreneurial skills. A great way to push creativity whilst enjoying team work. There is no cost for this option.

**\*Paris and Junior DofE ~ Places are limited for these trips; we therefore request that should you like your child to join either the Paris or JDofE trip that you inform our office team no later than Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> October by 9am. You can do this by emailing [office@alvechurch.worcs.sch.uk](mailto:office@alvechurch.worcs.sch.uk) without notification we are unable to include them in the process of allocating places. If there are too many pupils for the places available, we will invite those pupils to come together so that we can explain how places will be allocated. This will involve organising friendship groups and putting names into a hat. This process has previously been used effectively and it helps reassure pupils that should their name be pulled out of the hat that they will be on the trip with a friend. Parents will be informed by Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October if their child has been allocated to either trip. We must stress the process is carefully managed and organised as fairly as possible. Please can you explain to your child that there may be a chance that they may not be able to join their preferred trip and that they should have a 2<sup>nd</sup> choice of trip to look forward to.**

**What to do next and how to confirm your child's place, please see the guidance below;**

Option	Trip	Trip Date	Deposit	Deposit Due	Balance	Balance Due
1	PGL	8 <sup>th</sup> -10 <sup>th</sup> July	£80	31 <sup>st</sup> October	£200	1 <sup>st</sup> May 2019
2	JDofE *	8 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> July	£50	If your child has been allocated a place you will be sent details for deposit and balance at that time.		
3	Paris *	9 <sup>th</sup> - 12 <sup>th</sup> July	£100			
4	Enterprise	8 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> July	0.00	N/a	N/a	N/a

We look forward to confirming all the trips for the pupils. I am sure you can appreciate all deposits are non-refundable or transferable. This is due to all deposits being paid directly to the venue to secure their provision.

With kind regards

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