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Dear Parents

Year 7 Bushcraft Residential to Castle Howard Wednesday 1 - Friday 3 May 2024

We are delighted to announce that we are organising a fantastic 3-day residential adventure with the Bushcraft Company. We are very lucky to have secured a booking as the centre is very popular with other school groups.

The details of our adventure are:

Wednesday 1 May (8.35am) – Friday 3 May (3pm) Bushcraft Residential to Castle Howard, York, North Yorkshire

For those of you who have not heard of The Bushcraft Company, our adventure will be set in some of the most beautiful privately-owned UK woodlands. We will have exclusive use of a woodland safari style camp and be guided by a highly qualified and responsible team. This is an exciting opportunity for students to learn through adventure in a safe, yet challenging, environment. The adventure activities are designed to develop leadership skills and resilience, demanding resourcefulness, decision-making and practical thinking from students.

Examples of the planned activities may include:

- Camp-Craft
- Survival Bracelet Workshop
- Fire Lighting
- Wilderness Cookery
- Shelter Building
- First Aid in the Wilderness
- Camouflage & Concealment
- Wild Food workshop
- Scenario Based Activities

We will be sleeping in tented accommodation, and have all our food and snacks provided. Some of the delicious meals we may experience on camp are:

- Lamb Kebabs
- Pasta Bolognese
- Chocolate Brownies
- Big Cooked Breakfast
- Pannassed Salmon
- Clay Oven Fired Pizzas
- Lemon Drizzle Cake
- American Pancakes
- Bushcraft BBQ

This is an exciting opportunity, which will benefit students both educationally and socially.

The total cost of this adventure is **£185** per student and includes:

- Return coach travel
- Full board accommodation
- A packed itinerary of adventure activities with instruction, supervision and equipment

To confirm our booking, an initial non-refundable **deposit of £50** will be required by **Monday 6 November 2023**

You can either pay for the visit in one lump sum or in the following instalments:



A. Instalment 1: £65 by Friday 8 December 2023

B. Instalment 2: £70 by Friday 17 February 2024

More information about the trip will be given towards the end of the spring term.

The price is based on achieving 190 students to make a Bushcraft group. If you wish your child to participate, can you please make arrangements to pay by debit/credit card on the parentpay website at www.parentpay.com, give consent and provide details of any medical conditions and also an emergency contact number. If you have not received an activation letter to log onto parentpay, please contact the school as soon as possible and we can arrange to send one out to you. Your child will not be allowed on the trip until payment is received together with the requested contact and medical information.

Educational Visits Policy and Insurance

This visit is organised under the school's educational visits policy. To give consent for your child to take part in the visit please tick the consent box when paying for the trip. A copy of the consent information is attached (for your information only) and can also be found on the school website under the main menu on the left hand side in the "parentpay" section. Please read the detailed information for this trip before giving consent. You will not need to send the form to school as long as you have provided an emergency contact number and any medical conditions in the note box against the payment transaction line.

All students taking part in the activity will be covered by the RPA Personal Accident and Travel Insurance. If you wish to have details of this cover please contact the Business Manager. Should you wish to withdraw at a later date, please do so in writing. The Tour firm will not refund the first deposit and the subsequent instalments once paid to them (monies can be reclaimable through the insurance company due to illness only with written confirmation from your doctor).

Please do think carefully before making a commitment to this trip. If you do wish to withdraw your son/daughter at a later date there may be a student willing to take their place, but please understand the position if this is not the case. I will do my best on your behalf; however loss of all or part of the trip cost can result.

Finance and Free School Meals

As a school we are very aware of the additional cost of school trips and we want all our students to be able to access these opportunities. As this is a non-compulsory educational visit we are asking for a voluntary contribution. Unfortunately, if we do not receive enough voluntary contributions, we may need to cancel the trip. If you do have any issues or queries regarding payment, or would like further details on how to apply for assistance please contact myself or finance@shs.starmat.uk as appropriate.

Medication and Medical Conditions

If your child has taken any medication on the morning of the trip, **please fill in the form attached to this email** and send it to school with your child so that we have a record. If your child will need to take any medication on the day of the trip please make sure that it is **in its original packaging and placed in an envelope or sealed plastic bag with the name of your child on and details of when and how much needs to be taken**. Your child will need to hand the medication to me on the morning of the trip and this will be kept safe for them until they need to take it. **Please note that we will be unable to hand any spare medication back to students at the end of the trip.** Medication will need to be given directly to parents on collection or collected from the School's reception by a parent. Please also note that if your child has asthma they **MUST** have their inhaler/s on their person on the day of the trip otherwise they will be unable to go on the trip.

Non-Compulsory Educational Visit Sanctions:

Please be advised that any student who accrues 2 or more periods in isolation in the year of the trip departure will be removed and any payments made will be lost. I am sure you will appreciate that good behaviour is extremely important when taking students out of school for health and safety reasons.

If you have any questions about the trip, or would like further information please contact me on sohie.miller@shs.starmat.uk

Yours sincerely

Sophie Miller
Trip Leader 2024

THIS DOCUMENT MUST BE READ BEFORE GIVING PARENTAL CONSENT ON PARENTPAY

Name of Visit: Year 7 Castle Howard
Date: Wednesday 1st May – Friday 3rd May

By ticking the consent box on the parentpay website, you have agreed to the following three consent statements:-

PARENTAL CONSENT STATEMENT

I would like my son / daughter to take part in the activity above

Please arrange for payment via the parentpay website www.parentpay.com and provide emergency contact details including your home number and a mobile phone number. Your child will not be accepted on the trip without consent, emergency contact details and payment.

MEDICAL CONSENT STATEMENT

My child is in good health and does not suffer from any condition requiring regular treatment or any complaint that may require emergency treatment and will not be excluded from any activities. I confirm that:-

1. There are no activities that I do not wish my child to take part in.
2. My child does not suffer from any condition requiring regular treatment
3. My child does not suffer from any condition which may require emergency treatment
4. I give my consent to any emergency medical treatment necessary during the course of the visit.

If your child does have a medical need or condition please let us know via the parentpay website by including details of the condition and what action we would need to take if applicable in the **note box** prior to sending your payment. This needs to be done for every trip irrespective of whether the school has previously been informed.

For insurance purposes, if your child suffers from a serious complaint, please send a letter to the school enclosing a letter from your doctor confirming your child is fit to participate giving details of the complaint and its treatment. Please note this in the box prior to making payment so that we know we are expecting a doctor's letter.

If we do not receive notes via parentpay regarding any medical conditions, we will assume there are no medical conditions and no restrictions to the activities your child can participate in during the visit.

COLLECTION ARRANGEMENTS CONSENT (if applicable)

I understand that the return time is after normal school hours. I will arrange for a responsible person to collect my son / daughter from the **school bus park** on **New Lane** where necessary.

The letter inviting your child on the school trip will inform you if the trip is returning after normal school hours together with an approximate return time. That information is also on the top of this form.

PHOTOGRAPHS AND VIDEO RECORDINGS

I consent to photographs and video recordings of my child to be used by school and services for teaching and coaching purpose and for use in marketing and publicity in line with relevant policies.

BEHAVIOUR AND CONDUCT

I understand that my child must adhere to any code of conduct and behaviour set out by the visit/activity leader, school, service or external provider.

Home Administration of Medication Record

Name of student and tutor group		DoB	
Number of GP and contact number			
Emergency contact details: Name		Contact number	
<p>Name of medication:</p> <p>Formula (e.g. tablets):</p> <p>(Name of student).....has already taken</p> <p>(dosage).....of the above named medication at (time).....</p> <p>Today. The next dose, as stated on the medication should be taken at</p> <p>(time).....</p> <p>Signed: (parent/carer)</p>			