



June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

RE: Year 7 Outdoor Education Team Building Activity Day

As part of the PE department's Outdoor Education Programme and as a pastoral team building experience, we propose to take all Year 7 students to the Sir John Lowther activity centre in Kettering for a day of activities with their form group. The days will be at the start of October, so we need to organise it now. Precise days will be given when we start the new school year, but we need to get everyone signed up prior to the holidays so we can complete all the organising.

The trip will involve expert tuition from highly qualified and experienced outdoor pursuits instructors. Activities will include -

- Rifle shooting
- Rock climbing
- Tomahawk axe throwing
- Pedal go karts
- Assault courses
- Team orienteering

Students will be involved with a morning of form-based team building and sporting activities at school. They will then leave school at 11:30 am to travel to the Sir John Lowther Centre where they will participate in the above activities until 19:00 pm; we aim to return to school at 19:30 pm.

The objective of the trip is to challenge the students, so they feel a sense of achievement and stimulate an increase in self-esteem, confidence, teamwork and cohesion. As well as experiencing new challenges through the activities the evaluation process is just as vital to make sure they get the maximum "personal growth" possible from the course. They will participate in the day as a form group to enhance the transition and settling in process.

The required cost for the trip will be £25 which includes all activities, equipment needed, transport to and from the centre in Kettering. A packed lunch will be required for the day. If your child is entitled to free school meals lunch will be provided for your child. If we don't cover the cost of the course the trip unfortunately will not be viable.





Any parents who would like to be considered for assistance with payment due to financial hardship can contact the finance team on finance@weaveracademy.org.uk.

We hope for all students to benefit from this experience to enhance their transition process and form group cohesion. If you wish your child **not** to attend please contact Mr Mawby on the transition email address transition@weaversacademy.org.uk.

At this stage we do not have access to parent pay for the new year 7's in September so we are asking all parents to sign up for the trip and the payment option will be opened asap in September when you have your new parent pay accounts live.

Please use the Microsoft form attached to this link below to register for the trip and fill in the medical/contact forms asap.

<https://forms.office.com/r/1jWMVnZux3>

The payment of £25 will need to be made by 20 September 2022. It is expected that all students attending will be ambassadors for the Academy. The Academy reserves the right to withdraw any student who shows an inability to follow Academy rules or meet our standards.

Thank you and we look forward to taking all students on this highly rewarding trip.

Yours sincerely

Mr O Machon
PE Teacher / Yr 7 Trip Lead

Mr R Mawby
Transition Lead