



CHARLTON SCHOOL

Building Knowledge. Developing Character. Inspiring Futures.

Principal: Mr A McNaughton



2nd December 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

YEAR 7 INDUCTION AND TEAM BUILDING PROGRAMME

We are happy to inform you that the Year 7 residential activity course to the Pioneer Centre in Cleobury Mortimer, that was planned to go-ahead the beginning of this term, will now be taking place on Wednesday 12th January 2022 and returning on Friday 14th January 2022. Fully trained and qualified instructors will provide instruction in a programme of activities in a safe, controlled and secure environment.

The students will take part in nine activities, which are likely to include those listed below:

- Abseiling
- High ropes
- Archery
- Challenge Course
- Initiative Games
- Climbing
- Fencing
- Raft Building
- Zip Wire
- Big Bounce

These activities are very much aimed at providing fun and adventure for the children while, at the same time, enhancing the development of their personal and social skills. However, we have also tried to cater for children who prefer less challenging activities. The course is designed to develop team skills, and the children should benefit enormously from the experience. For these reasons, we feel it is important that as many children as possible take part in the visit.

The full cost of this trip will be £145.00 and this includes:

- All equipment and instruction
- Evening activities programme
- 9 activities
- Transport
- Full board
- Insurance

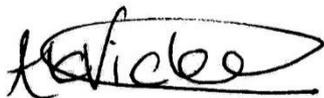
Thank you to those parents that have already paid for the trip in full, however those parents who still need to pay their final balance, this payment will need to be made by the end of term (Friday 17th December).

For any students who have now decided that they would like to attend the trip or were not at Charlton when the original dates were made and would like to go, please contact Mrs Hughes in our Finance Office on 01952 386808.

Please note that due to the current COVID situation we cannot guarantee this trip will take place. We will respond to Government Guidance if the current situation should change.

We do not wish to exclude any child from the trip on the grounds of affordability. If your child is in receipt of free school meals, or you are receiving benefits, please contact Mrs Hughes for advice on how we can support you.

Yours faithfully,



Miss Vickers
Assistant Head – Learning Climate

Note : Recent national court action against teachers acting in good faith as responsible parents on a school trip have necessitated a review of our current policy on what is a sensible response to bad behaviour or non-compliance. We will operate a policy of zero tolerance on any behaviour which is deemed to be unacceptable or which could prove dangerous to another person. In either of these cases, the student or students concerned will be returned home at short notice. Parents or a trusted friend or relative must be available at any time to collect the returned student and provide a home for them for the duration of the trip. Clearly, contact numbers must be available for this purpose.

**YEAR 7 INDUCTION AND TEAM BUILDING PROGRAMME, PIONEER CENTRE
12TH – 14TH JANUARY 2022**

Name of Student: Form:

I give my permission for my child to take part in the residential visit to the Pioneer Centre on the revised dates of the 12th to the 14th of January 2022.

Signed: Parent/Carer Date:

The school reserves the right to refuse to allow a student on this visit if their behaviour in school prior to departure falls below acceptable standards. If such unsatisfactory behaviour occurs and action, as outlined above, has to be taken, it is likely that monies paid will have to be forfeited. Any student behaving in an unacceptable manner during the visit will have to be collected from the Pioneer Centre by the parents.

Please return to the Charlton Finance Office along with the Parental Consent Form.