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Dear Parents and Carers

Activities Week PGL Multi Activity - Information Letter

Please find attached an itinerary for our week as well as a list of the recommended clothing for each activity. A broader kit list was sent home earlier in the term.

I have also attached the **PGL Parental Consent Form**, which includes dietary requirements and swimming proficiency information amongst other things. I have only had 3 of these returned so far, but do need them **all back** please. Hard copies were handed out in a school meeting, so you may not have seen it, so another copy is attached here and can also be found on the school website.

We aim to leave school at approximately 10.30am and the journey will take approximately 2½ hours. We return to school on Friday July 21st and aim to be back in time for the buses.

On the first day students will need to bring a **packed lunch and a drink – ideally in a refillable water bottle** as this will be needed each day on activities. Students **must also bring a sun hat**, even if they say they don't need one; we don't yet know what the weather will be like and if we're out in hot sun, they will need a hat as well as sun cream.

We will be travelling to the centre via minibus, so if your child gets travel sick please ensure that they take the appropriate medication in the morning. Should you need to leave any medication with us for the trip, please ensure it is labelled with the student's name and there are clear, written instructions, and give it to me or Ms Coleman on the morning of departure.

Students can bring their mobile phones with them, but please be aware that these will be collected in as **PGL do not allow phones in the bedrooms**.

Should you have any queries during the trip, please contact the school who will then contact us if necessary as I'm sure you will appreciate that we will be rather busy.

The trip is full board, so all meals are included. Please ensure you let us know if students have any specific dietary requirements and we will inform the centre in advance. I believe that there will be a tuck shop selling drinks and snacks, how much money students bring with them is up to you.

We are all looking forward to an exciting week, taking students away on residential trips is always a worthwhile experience. We will do all we can to ensure that the students enjoy their trip and in return we ask them to be respectful and follow rules as they would do in school.

Most importantly, when it is time to go to bed we would like them to do so as we also need to be able to rest. Residential trips are a fantastic experience but tiring for all those involved. A good night's sleep means that everyone can fully enjoy the following day's activities.

Finally, I do need to add a more serious note: in the extremely rare event that we need to send a student home, we will request a parent to come and collect the student. This is a note that I am obliged to include by the Local Authority and not a situation which I foresee happening, but just something that we need to make provision for in our planning.

We look forward to seeing you all on Monday 17th July.

Ms Forster
Trip Leader