



September 2017

Dear parents,

Isle of Wight Trip: Activities Week 16th – 20th July 2018

Every year in July, the school organises a special week of practical activities, both on and off-site, for all pupils. There are a choice of activities to choose from, one being a residential visit to an activity centre on the Isle of Wight (detailed below). Although we are in the early stages of planning, we are expecting that there will be at least 3 other activities to choose from. All pupils take part in one of these activities. A letter will be sent out in May for those pupils not going on the Isle of Wight trip with further details of the on-site activities on offer.

This letter relates specifically to the Isle of Wight Activity Centre residential trip, as bookings have to be made a year in advance. We have been to Little Canada on the Isle of Wight for the past 18 years and, over the past 10 years, we have taken more than 132 pupils on each visit. The trip has proved to be extremely popular and PGL, the Travel Company that organises the trip, have always praised our groups for their hard work and good behaviour. The trip lasts for 5 days and 4 nights and the pupils are engaged in many varied team-building and physical activities, ranging from canoeing, swimming, climbing, quad bikes, archery, high wires, blind trail and dragon-boating.

As the demand for places at the activity centre is always very high, we have booked early to avoid disappointment and have now received confirmation of 132 places. The cost of the trip will be £445.00 and everything is included in the cost – ferry, food, accommodation and tuition.

If you would like your son/daughter to be considered for the trip, then please return the slip below to **Mrs Wright via the Pupil Services Desk**, and pay the **non-returnable deposit*** of £110 by Tuesday 10th October 2017. Details of further payment dates are given below. (**Please note: if a pupil is offered a place on the trip but later cancels, the £110 deposit will not be refunded*).

We will be collecting parental consent and payments online. To make your payment and to give consent, please go to www.parentpay.com and enter in your username and password. Please choose the correct service and make your payment, you will be unable to complete the transaction until you have clicked on the 'consent' box. If you would prefer to pay by cash, you may do so at your local Paypoint retailer using a barcoded letter. Please request this letter from Ranmore Office. Please note that payments are non-refundable as the school makes a financial commitment to companies based on the number of places required. If you haven't activated your account and need help or have any queries please contact the school at parentpay@ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk

If any medical or contact details have changed since you returned the last Personal Data Checking sheet, please contact Ranmore Office either by phone or e-mail parentpay@ashcombe.surrey.sch.uk

As with all visits, should the trip be oversubscribed, names will be 'drawn from a hat' with the remainder of the pupils being held on a reserve list. The school reserves the right to refuse to allow any pupil with a poor behaviour, attendance or punctuality record to participate in this activity.

Yours sincerely,

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DEPOSIT AMOUNT	DATE DUE
£110 – Initial Deposit (non-refundable)	Tuesday 10 th October 2017
£110 – Second payment	Friday 24 th November 2017
£110 – Third payment	Friday 19 th January 2018
£115 – Final payment	Friday 16 th March 2018

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Please return to Pupil Services desk, for the attention of Mrs Wright, by Tuesday 10th October 2017

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I would like my son/daughter to go on the Isle of Wight trip 2018 and have paid the deposit of £110.00

Payment by ParentPay Authorisation Code:

Please return this slip and pay the deposit by Tuesday 10th October 2017 at the latest.

Name of Pupil Tutor Group

Signature of Parent Date