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Dear Families,

Year 9 E Week: Kingswood Adventurous Activities Trip, Isle of Wight 17th -21st June 2024

Each year, Sandringham School hosts E Week – a week of enrichment activities for each year group. Normal timetable is suspended for all students who complete activities on and off site.

Year 9 students have the opportunity to access a five-day residential trip to the Kingswood Activity Centre on the Isle of Wight. **The trip will run from Monday 17th - Friday 21st June 2024**, and is open to all students in Year 9.

The trip provides a unique opportunity for students to participate in a range of outdoor and adventurous activities that will develop and challenge students mentally, socially and physically. The five-day stay will include both water and land-based activities with students experiencing activities like climbing, archery, canoeing, sailing, windsurfing and raft building.

Students will stay in dormitories and all meals are provided. The week-long experience will be an opportunity for students to build teamwork skills, resilience and leadership through the carefully tailored activities for our group. All activities will be run by the specialist instructors and the support of Sandringham staff. Kingswood is a well-established provider with several centres in the UK and it prides itself on offering students an inspirational setting surrounded by the Jurassic coast.

The total cost of the trip is **£590** and this is spread over 3 payments: a non-refundable deposit of **£150**, a first payment of **£220 due by 31st January 2024** and a final payment of **£220 no later than 31st March 2024**. This price includes the five days of activities, four nights' accommodation, travel to and from the centre via coach and ferry, all meals as well as evening entertainment.

The cost of the trip includes a voluntary contribution towards transport and a charge for board and lodging. If insufficient students are prepared to pay the voluntary contribution, then the trip may have to be cancelled for all students. Families who wish to discuss financial assistance towards this contribution should email trips@sandringham.aat.school before applying for the trip.



If you would like your child to participate on this trip we require a non-refundable deposit of £150 via ParentPay by **15th November 2023**. If the trip is over-subscribed once this deadline has passed, places will be allocated by lottery. If your child is not successful in gaining a place your deposit will be refunded.

For Year 9 students who do not wish to take part in this visit, we will organise UK based E Week activities for students that remain. Details of this will be confirmed once we know numbers.

It is imperative that payment deadlines for this trip are strictly adhered to so that the necessary payments can be made to the tour operator. If payments are not received by the instalment dates we would have no choice but to remove your child from the trip and/or be liable for any additional charges we incur.

Please note that by accepting your child's place on this trip you are undertaking to make full payment by the given deadlines. Please also note that our tour operator, Kingswood, does not differ from other tour companies with regard to cancellations and cancellation fees will apply.

As with all visits, it is important to stress that student participation on this trip is subject to their good conduct in school and if your child is removed from this trip due to their conduct, any monies paid to date will not be refunded.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me or email trips@sandringham.aat.school

Yours sincerely

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