

October 2023



Dear Parents

Little Canada Isle of Wight Residential Activity Visit

Year 7 students have an exciting opportunity to attend a residential activity visit to PGL Little Canada on the Isle of Wight. The visit will include 3 days and 2 nights, from Monday 13th May 2024 to Wednesday 15th May 2024.

During the residential visit Year 7 students will be able to experience different activities aimed at building their resilience and developing their team building skills. The PGL Unite course includes full board accommodation, adventure activities in groups of up to 12 students, instruction and equipment. There is also a varied evening entertainment programme and support from the PGL staff 24/7 during the stay.

Students will travel by coach, departing from OAS on Monday 13th May 2024 to catch the ferry. We will then take the ferry to the Isle of Wight and be transported by coach to Little Canada arriving at 12pm. We will depart Little Canada on Wednesday 15th May 2024 at 2pm.

Students will need to bring their own packed lunch on the Monday 13th May 2024. A packed lunch will be available for free school meal students on the Monday. Please indicate on the Microsoft form if your child is eligible for free school meals and you would like them to receive the meal. All other meals from 6pm on Monday until their departure at 2pm on Wednesday 15th May 2024 will be provided for students by Little Canada.

Students will need to wear casual clothing suitable for outdoor activities and wear suitable outdoor footwear. Students will also need to bring suitable changes of clothing, night wear and a wash kit for their 3 day and 2 night stay and we will share a list of recommended items with you nearer to the time.

During the activities, as well as following instructions from OAS staff, students will be expected to follow all safety instructions given by the PGL staff who are trained to deliver and supervise these activities. Students are reminded that they will be acting as ambassadors for OAS while they are staying at Little Canada and as such, students will be expected to behave in a manner that demonstrates they are respecting the school rules at all times.

Due to the nature of the residential activities visit, we reserve the right to refuse a place to any student whose behaviour would indicate that they will not follow safety instructions, will not act as a positive ambassador for OAS or whose behaviour may place others at risk.

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We are pleased to say we have been able to subsidise this trip, but we would ask for a voluntary contribution of £226.50 in order to help us meet the cost. This visit can only go ahead if the level of support is sufficient.

If you are in receipt of benefits then we are able to support with further subsidising the trip to £113.25, so please do let us know, should this be the case for your child.

Places on this trip are limited due to the facilitator requirements. In order to make the process fair places will be allocated on a first come first served basis using the time stamp on the Microsoft form. Should your child be unsuccessful on this occasion they will be prioritised at the next appropriate opportunity.

If your child is successful a second letter will follow on Wednesday 1st November 2023 and we will ask for a deposit of £35-00 to be made by Monday 6th November 2023.

If you would like your child to participate in this visit, please complete the Microsoft Form by clicking the link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/HyATnD3ChL>

This needs to be completed by Friday 27th October 2023, as this will confirm your request for them to attend. Please remember that we reserve the right to refuse the place based on your child's behaviour record. You and your child will receive confirmation once numbers have been confirmed and then formal consent will be sought through Evolve and payment through MCAS (see our trips section on the website for details on how to use MCAS).

Kind regards

Emma Rolls

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