



February 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**KS3 Camp Activities Week 2023**

We are delighted to inform you that we have arranged to take our Year 7, 8 & 9 students on a residential activity trip to PGL Barton Hall Adventure Centre, Devon, from 17th July 2023 to 21st July 2023. In addition 40 students from Year 7 will also have the opportunity to travel to Normandy for 2 nights 18th to 20th July 2023. The full details will be available next week.

Residential courses organised by schools are invaluable and enriching as part of the National Curriculum. The Government has stated the beneficial effects of learning outside the classroom and the impact this has on a child's progress that such courses provide. Learning outside the classroom offers new and exciting challenges, children will learn to work together as a team, develop independence, confidence and an ability to recognise strength and weaknesses in a constructive way. The value of giving children the opportunity to try out new activities cannot be underestimated.

At PGL Barton Hall Adventure Centre there are fully trained and qualified instructors, with the support of school staff, providing instruction in a full programme of activities in a safe controlled and secure environment. The activities available are attached, along with a sample itinerary. For further information watch this short video: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZRapu\\_CrVU](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1ZRapu_CrVU)

We do reserve the right to not take any student whose attendance and behaviour in school may give us cause for concern whilst away. All students participating in this trip are required to abide by the school rules at all times and will sign a conduct agreement for travelling. **If a student jeopardises anyone's safety, well-being or the school's reputation, s/he will be sent home immediately, accompanied by a member of staff, the cost of which will be borne by parents.**

The total cost of the visit to PGL Barton Hall Adventure Centre is **£270.00** (pupil premium students, **£200.00**) and includes: accommodation, food, transport from the school to the centre and return, fully qualified instruction during activities, specialist & safety equipment, an evening activities programme, achievement certificates and comprehensive insurance.

To apply for a place for your child; please complete the consent form below, and return to St Dunstan's school office by Wednesday 8th February. Once we have received your consent slip, **parent pay** (online) will be opened for the initial deposit of **£45** (pupil premium **£30**, which must be before **Friday 17th** February in order to secure the booking.

The rest of the trip can be paid in whole **or** instalments

£45 (pp £30)	Deposit by	Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> February
£55 (pp £45)		Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> March
£55 (pp £45)		Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April
£55 (pp £45)		Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> May
£60 (pp £35)		Saturday 17 <sup>th</sup> June

**\*We have currently secured only 50 places but there may be an opportunity to add additional places. This is based on a first come first served basis regarding the consent slips being returned, not paying the deposit!\***

Yours Sincerely,

C Pengelly and J Waugh



**We will be choosing activities from these available at Barton Hall:**

NEW! Archery Tag  
 Abseiling  
 Aquafun / Swimming  
 Giant Stand Up Paddleboarding (lake)  
 Archery  
 Canoeing  
 Jacob's Ladder  
 Orienteering Raft Building  
 Problem Solving  
 Rifle Shooting

NEW! Axe Throwing  
 Aeroball  
 Climbing  
 Fencing  
 Buggy Building  
 Stand Up Paddleboarding  
 Sensory Trail  
 Giant Swing  
 Survivor



**Sample Itinerary:**

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
07.00-09.00		Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
09.00-10.30		High Ropes Course	Giant Swing	Archery	Climbing
10.30-12.00		Axe Throwing	Zip Wire	Fencing	T
12.00-14.00		Lunch and free time	Lunch and free time	Lunch and free time	Lunch
14.00-15.30		Abseiling	Canoeing	Raft Building	Depart centre
15.30-17.00	Arrive and unpack	Jacob's Ladder	Canoeing	Raft Building	
17.00-19.00	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
19.00-21.00 (1hr)	Capture the Flag	PGL Tournament	Archery Tag	Disco	



## Summer Camp

**17<sup>th</sup> July – 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023**

I give my consent for my child to take part in the visit to PGL Barton Hall Adventure Centre 17th July 2023 to 21st July 2023.

I confirm that I will pay the total cost of £270.00 (PP Students, £200.00) for the residential activity visit and will pay a £45.00 deposit (PP Students, £30.00) on parent pay once this consent slip has been handed to the school office. I understand that the deposit is not refundable once my child's place has been confirmed.

**Once the deposit has been received this is committing to full payment of the trip.**

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Tutor Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Carer (please circle)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return by Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February 2023

