



RED HOUSE SCHOOL

a foundation for life

20 January 2017

Dear Parent

I am proposing to offer all Year 6 pupils the opportunity to participate in an outdoor activities weekend during the autumn term, when they are in Year 7.

In recent years I have run a similar programme which has proved extremely popular and has been attended by almost everyone in the year.

I have provisionally booked Derwentwater Youth Hostel near Keswick in the Lake District, for the nights of Friday 6 October and Saturday 7 October. This would mean leaving school on the Friday morning and returning on Sunday afternoon at approximately 2.30pm.

The programme of activities is yet to be finalised, but it is likely to include some canoeing, rock climbing, ghyll scrambling and raft building.

This weekend is designed to promote qualities such as leadership and perseverance and recognise the value of team work. Whilst undoubtedly providing a physical challenge in stunning surroundings. I am sure the pupils will have a thoroughly enjoyable experience

The cost for the weekend will be £160. This covers the cost of transport, full board accommodation at the Youth Hostel and the provision of all activities by a recognised company based in Keswick.

The trip will be subject to the conditions as set out in the Parent Contract, and will be covered by the schools insurance policy. A full risk assessment has been undertaken by the group leader. A qualified first aider will be accompanying the trip.

One of the aims of the trip is to encourage a sense of independence. However, you can rest assured that if there is a problem we would contact you if we think it necessary.

We endeavour to take photographs on as many school trips as possible, please visit our website, Facebook and Twitter pages to view a selection of photographs.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate please complete the slip below and either send a cheque for £60 made payable to Red House School or, alternatively, pay direct to the school bank, using the following information:

- Sort Code – 30-98-13
- Account Number – 01776186
- Bank – Lloyds Bank plc

If you choose to pay directly in the bank please ensure that you use an easily identifiable reference code, eg Y7 Derwentwater and your child's name. It would also be helpful if you could put the reference you use on the reply slip below.

Deposit payments need to be made by **Thursday 9 February**. The second payment of £100 will be due in the summer term.

Please note that money may not be refunded if at a later date if your son/daughter is unable to attend and the School is unable to fully recover the amount paid to the trip organiser.

Yours sincerely

**Mr D Kitching
Senior Tutor**

Year 7 Outdoor Activities Visit

Name _____ Form _____

I would like my son / daughter to participate in the Outdoor Activities visit from 6 – 8 October 2017.

I enclose a cheque for £60 made payable to Red House School

I have paid £60 by bank transfer using the code _____

Signed _____ Parent/ Guardian