

To: All Parents/Carers of Year 8 Pupils

Ref: 87575495

12 October 2023

Re: Year 8 Ribblesdale Residential in the Yorkshire Dales July 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

South Hunsley School is delighted to offer all Year 8 pupils a three-day residential personal development visit to Stainforth in Ribblesdale, between Monday 01 July and Friday 12 July 2024. Precise dates will depend on your child's tutor group (please see overleaf). This is an exciting opportunity to introduce pupils to a range of outdoor activities and build on our whole school aim of fostering strong communities.

The visit will support pupils in their personal and social development in an interesting and stimulating environment. Activities will include team building exercises, caving, initiative tests, mountain biking and walking. Although these activities are challenging, we anticipate that the activities will be well within the scope of all pupils. All activities are conducted under the supervision of instructors and school colleagues, who hold the necessary qualifications that are legally required to ensure the safety of these activities. Pupils may discover that the challenging and exciting nature of this visit inspires them to take advantage of some of the other activities and visits organised by South Hunsley School. Pupils will spend two nights in tents and/or bunk barn accommodation during the three days. Owing to the nature of the visit, pupils must be reliable and trustworthy at all times. Therefore, any pupil with an unsatisfactory behaviour record may be excluded from the visit.

As a school we try to ensure the costs of all our visits are minimised so that as many pupils as possible can take advantage of these valuable learning experiences. In this case, to be able to offer the visit we are requesting a contribution of £245 per pupil. If the level of contributions fails to cover the costs then the visit may be cancelled. Where this happens, all monies will be returned. To secure your child's place on this visit please complete the link to the medical form <https://forms.office.com/e/TdcQdZ2Vdh> and ensure payment of the deposit detailed below is received.

A £75 non-refundable deposit will be required by Friday 22 December 2023. Final payment should be received by Friday 24 May 2024. You are welcome to pay small portions on a monthly basis to spread the cost out. You can make your contribution payment by using our secure internet payment site <https://www.parentmail.co.uk>. If you require any assistance in using this site or if you need your login details then please e-mail finance@southhunsley.org.uk. If you do not have access to the internet then please contact the Finance department via telephone on 01482 631208 to arrange an alternative method of payment. All payments are non-refundable.

We do not wish to see any pupil disadvantaged owing to family circumstances, and so if this may apply to you please contact the school Finance Team, who will confidentially advise on any assistance which may be possible.

A Parents Evening providing further details, including the concept, delivery and safety of the course will be held in Riding Hall at 5.30pm on Wednesday 22 May 2024. This will allow parents an opportunity to ask any questions regarding the visit. A core aspect of the personal and social development that is supported by this visit is widening circles of friendship. As such, pupils will travel with their own tutor groups unless special consideration is given at the school's discretion.

Tutor Group	Date of Visit
8.10, 8.11 & 8.12	1-3 July 2024
8.7, 8.8 & 8.9	3-5 July 2024
8.4, 8.5 & 8.6	8-10 July 2024
8.1, 8.2 & 8.3	10-12 July 2024

I look forward to meeting you at the information evening, however in the meantime if you have any questions, please contact me via email Sandy.Loynd@theeducationalliance.org.uk.

Yours faithfully



Sandy Loynd
Visit Leader