



St Mary's and St John's CE School

"With God, all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26)

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Dear Parents/Carers,

PGL Trips 4th – 6th March 2020

Further to my two previous letters regarding the PGL residential trips, we have been listening to your feedback and would like to make a change to how the trips will run. Rather than travelling in House groups, the students will now participate in key stages and so the trips will run as end of year trips for year group. This will necessitate a change of centre as follows:

Year 5 and Year 6 will go to PGL Liddington in Wiltshire
Year 7 and Year 8 will go to PGL Marchants Hill in Surrey
Year 9 and Year 10 will go to PGL Osmington Bay in Dorset

The trips will still take place between Wednesday 4th and Friday 6th March 2020 and we will encourage our students to participate in House challenges and competitions while they are away to boost their House ethos. However, they will be mixing with students of their own age rather than across key stages as we had originally envisaged which will mean the activities will be more suitable for their age group.

As we have changed the parameters of the trip, we would like to re-open it for those of you who would now like your child to participate. Please respond and pay the non-refundable deposit of £60 via ParentPay by **6th December 2019**. The next 2 payments of £71 would then fall on 31st January 2020 and 1st March 2020. If there are any problems meeting these payment dates please do get in touch.

A reminder of the dates for the next instalments for those of you who have already signed your children up for the trips: £71 on 2nd December 2019 and 31st January 2020.

The residential trips have been organised through PGL, the UK's leading outdoor education provider for young people, backed by an ABTA membership. Members of staff from SMSJ accompany the students on the trip.

Students will travel by coach to their PGL centre. The students will participate in a range of activities, such as orienteering, archery, zip wire, evening games, sports, quizzes and a disco.

The cost of the trip will be £202 and this covers all travel, accommodation, activities, meals and entertainment. An extensive PGL insurance policy for UK schools and groups is also included. The only other expense will be spending money for any additional snacks and souvenirs that your child wishes to buy.

Participation on this residential visit is at the discretion of the school and all places will be reviewed subject to behaviour and conduct in school. We reserve the right to withdraw a student should it be necessary at any time. As always, we expect the highest standards of behaviour and students will be expected to not only obey instructions given by staff, but the rules of the centre (students will be informed of these rules).

Primary Phase, Neale House Campus, Prothero Gardens, Hendon, NW4 3SL

Junior Phase, Bennett House Campus, Sunningfields Road, Hendon, NW4 4QR

Senior Phase, Stamford Raffles Campus, Downage, Hendon, NW4 1AB



We would be delighted if all of our students could attend the trip; please complete and return the attached slip marked PGL to the school office by Friday 6th December 2019 to book your child's place.

Yours faithfully,



Ms Pittaway
Vice Principal Student Welfare



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Name: _____ Year/PAM: _____

I would like my child to participate in the PGL trip taking place 4th-6th March 2020. I have paid the non-refundable deposit of £60 on ParentPay.

Signature: _____ Relationship to child: _____

Date: _____