

**Head**

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18/06/2019

Year 8 Youlbury Camp for one night between the 16 to 19 September

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are planning to take the whole of the Year 8 to visit Youlbury Scout Camp in September. This is the first whole school residential and we believe that it forms a very important part of the curriculum. It is important for students' personal development including independence, resilience, developing relationships and teamwork. In addition, students will be taught skills such as map reading, pitching a tent and some basic knowledge about the woods and countryside.

The plan will be as follows:

- Prior to the trip, during school time, students will plan their route from Cheney School to Youlbury Scout Camp and be taught basic map reading skills
- On the day of the trip students will meet at Cheney and, with staff, walk from Cheney school to Youlbury Scout Camp (approximately 7 miles). There will be a minibus to support and all student kit will be driven to the camp. Students will carry a small backpack with a drink, lunch and a waterproof jacket.
- Once at Youlbury, students will take part in an activity run by the centre such as archery or aerial trek. Students will also be instructed in putting up/taking down a tent and given some basic camping skills. In the evening there will be an evening meal, campfire and games. Students and staff will spend one night in the tented village at Youlbury. The next morning there will be breakfast and another activity run by the centre. Students and staff, in groups, will then walk back to Cheney School, arriving back for the afternoon.

More details about the trip, equipment etc. will be forthcoming, including a parent/carer information evening.

In order for this trip to run we are requesting a financial contribution of **£80** per student to cover the staffing, camp and activity costs, evening meal, breakfast and lunch on the second day. The trip may not be able to run if insufficient funds are collected, and this amount is non-refundable unless the trip is cancelled by the school.

Students who are Pupil Premium or who receive Free School Meals (FSM) are entitled to a **50% reduction** as long as the attached consent slip, medical consent form and behaviour contract are completed. The school can provide additional financial support at the discretion of the school. If this trip will cause you financial hardship, please contact Mr Fieldwick lfi@cheney.oxon.sch.uk to discuss.

Please pay your contribution for the trip via **Parentpay** where the trip is entitled **Year 8 Youlbury Camp**. If you do not have Parentpay but wish to set up an account please email finance@cheney.oxon.sch.uk or contact Mrs Beesley in the School Shop. The first instalment for this trip of £30 needs to be paid by **Friday 28 June**. The final instalment of **£50** must be paid by 31 August.

If you would like your child to attend and you give them parental permission to do so, please complete the attached parental permission slip, medical consent form and behaviour contract to join this trip. Please can these be returned to the red post box by the library or returned to the school shop.



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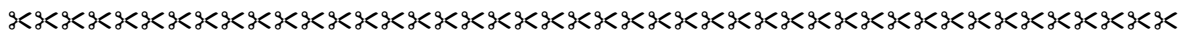
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Additional information:

- there will be a parents' information evening **on Monday 8 of July** from 5.30 to 6.30pm in the Hall
- there will be an additional parents' information evening next term in September

Yours faithfully

Mr R Moreton
Head Teacher



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Name of Student:..... Tutor Group:.....

I confirm that I give my child permission to attend the above trip.

I have paid via Parentpay the sum of £.....

My child is a bursary student (please tick box)

Signed:..... Date:.....

Print name:.....

Emergency contact no. (parent):

Emergency contact no (student):

Details of any student medical / dietary condition:

