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18<sup>th</sup> October 2024

Dear Parents/Carers,

### **YEAR 7 BOYS RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO BUDDENS ACTIVITY CENTRE 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2025**

The Year 7 team are delighted to be offering your child the opportunity to take part in our new Year 7 residential trip. We will be staying at Buddens Activity Centre, a stunning 96-acre site in Dorset, full of land and water-based activities. The trip is being organised in conjunction with Rockley Adventure, whose activity centres are licensed in the UK by the Adventure Activities Licensing Authority (AALA).

The trip will be a residential visit taking place over three days. The total cost of is £305 per student. This includes return coach travel to Buddens, accommodation for two nights, insurance, all day activities and equipment, evening entertainment, as well as breakfast, lunch and evening meals.

Within the centre's vast array of fields, we have some idyllic tented villages. The tented villages are made up of 5/6 metre bell tents for pupils and adults alike. They come complete with metal framed beds and comfortable mattresses with a cover sheet, so all the hard work has been taken care of.

The programme of activities organised by Rockley Adventure will include the likes of Climbing, Zip Wire, Jacobs Ladder, Leap of Faith, MEGA SUP, Stand Up Paddle Boarding, Kayaking, Canoeing, Archery and Axe Throwing to name just a few.

To gain a place on the trip, parents/carers need to fill in the Microsoft form:  
<https://forms.office.com/e/krsHzWC81D>

Places will then be granted as per our policy and a confirmation letter with the schedule for payments will be sent out. A reserve list will be generated based on demand. A deposit of £50 is required and will be launched on ParentPay **once spaces are confirmed** (to set up an account if you don't already have one, please email [bmthpoolefinance@unitedlearning.org.uk](mailto:bmthpoolefinance@unitedlearning.org.uk) including your child's full name and year group), details will be provided in the letter sent confirming your child's place.

Payments will only be refunded in exceptional circumstances or if insufficient numbers are obtained. The rest of the balance will be due by the end of April 2025. We will hold an information evening for the trip later in the academic year.

We fully encourage anyone who feels they may require financial assistance to contact [kira.jupe@avonbourneacademy.org.uk](mailto:kira.jupe@avonbourneacademy.org.uk) to discuss any financial support we can offer.

If you have any further questions regarding the trip, please contact me using the email address below.

Yours sincerely,

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