

July 2021

Dear Parent / Carer

Year 9 and 10 Netball and Football Tournaments (Residential) – September and October 2021

St Aidan's sees extra-curricular activities and residential trips as being of immense value to individual students within their particular year groups. We provide opportunities in each year for pupils to undertake different challenges / experiences that we hope will contribute to the all-round education of each child.

Given the successful rollout of the UK's vaccination programme and our government's continuation with their road map, now we feel that with extreme caution, we can reintroduce some activities for our students in the next academic year.

Due to the loss of so much extra-curricular sport for our teams, we would like to offer a boy's and girl's residential football and netball tournament for the pupils who would have been involved in our school teams but have missed fixtures and competition over the past 18 months.

The trips on offer are:

- Girls PGL Netball Tournament to Boreatton Park, Shropshire 24-26 September 2021
- Boys Football Tournament to Malvern College in Worcestershire 20-23 October 2021

Staff, as always, are acting in '*loco parentis*' just as they do in school when accompanying children on a school trip. Trips away from the normal school environment involve considering different routines and environments, which demand that pupils can show an increased level of responsibility and maturity.

In addition to our school insurance policy, we will also be covered by the individual tour company's insurance policy for Covid-19. Over the last year, all tour operators have introduced new clauses to their booking conditions, and you can be reassured that you will receive a full refund if we must cancel the trip as a direct result of a further national lockdown or Government advice against residential stays.

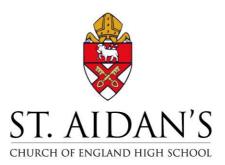
Should you wish to know any further information about the trip or have concerns about making the deposit payment at this stage, please do not hesitate to contact either Mrs McDonald (<u>t.mcdonald@staidans.co.uk</u>) or Mr Holdsworth (<u>d.holdsworth@staidans.co.uk</u>).

Thank you for your co-operation.

Regards

Mr C Burt Headteacher





Football Tournament to Malvern College in Worcestershire Wednesday 20 October to Saturday 23 October 2021

An exciting opportunity for us to raise the morale, teamwork, fitness and enthusiasm of our football players with a football tournament held at Malvern College in Worcestershire. The school is very welcoming and the facilities are outstanding. You will sleep in the purpose-built halls of residence and all meals will be served in the refectory. The sports facilities are state of the art and regularly utilised by professional sports teams.





The tour is a feast of football which includes:

- 8 fixtures for each team and a 5-a-side tournament
- FA qualified coaches (all DBS checked)
- FA qualified referees (all DBS checked)
- Excellent facilities including award winning pitches and indoor swimming pool
- Full board, accommodation and an award-winning catering department
- A safe and secure environment with 24-hour professional security
- Evening entertainment programme
- Trophies for the winning teams
- Individual trophy winners e.g. golden boot, golden gloves
- Medals for all participants
- Tournament t-shirts for all participants

Travel is by coach from St Aidan's and the cost of this trip will be in the region of **£370.00** which includes all transport, accommodation, football coaching and tournaments, activities and food. Departure from school will be at **07:45 on Wednesday 20 October 2021 prompt** and students should meet outside main reception at **07:30**. We will return to school on Saturday 23 October at 17:00 approximately.

If your son is interested in a place on this exciting residential sports trip, please pay the first deposit payment of **£100.00** via ParentPay by Monday 2 August 2021 and the second payment of **£140.00** by Monday 6 September 2021. The remaining cost will be notified by email in September and the final payment is due by Monday 4 October 2021. If you do not have a ParentPay login, please contact Mrs Holey in the Finance Office on h.holey@staidans.co.uk. Please note all payments are non-refundable (unless cancellation is a direct result of Government advice against residential visits).

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