



ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

September 2022

Dear Year 8 Parents and Pupils

Year 8 Outward Bound Trip – Monday 5 December to Friday 9 December 2022

I am writing to inform you that the next instalment payment of £175.00 for the Outward Bound trip in December is due by **Friday 30 September 2022**. Payment can now be made via your ParentPay account. The final price will be confirmed next month and the payment of approximately £145.00 will be due by **Friday 28 October 2022**.

The students will spend their week either at the Howtown or Ullswater Centre. As part of the planning process, we now need to organise the students into centres and activity groups along with their friends. I would therefore be grateful if you could complete the the link below identifying up to four friends. We will of course try to meet as many requests as possible but cannot guarantee that you will be with **all** your nominated friends.

[Friendship and Activity Form for Year 8 Outward Bound](#)

The friendship form must be completed by Friday 30 September 2022. If we do not receive it by this date, pupils will be allocated by us to a centre and group.

Before students can attend a course at any Outward Bound Centre, parents are required to complete and return a medical form for their son or daughter. An email link will be sent to you next month for completion of this form. As the results go directly to Outward Bound, we ask that you **also update your child's school medical records** if the information we hold at school is not up to date.

For information, all Outward Bound Centres provide the specialist equipment required for the week including hiking boots and waterproofs. Each student will be required to bring **£10.00 in cash as a deposit** for the equipment which is paid on arrival at the centre. The money is **refunded** at the end of the trip if the student returns all the clothing and equipment they have borrowed to the centre. Parents do not need to purchase additional specialist clothing; a full kit list will be sent out next month.

Should you have any queries or require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me or Mrs McDonald (t.mcdonald@staidans.co.uk).

Kind regards

D Holdsworth
Co-ordinator of Outdoor Education

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