

17 October 2023

Year 7 Residential Trip – February/March 2024

Dear Year 7 Parent/Carer,

We would like to promote to you our exciting Year 7 residential offer. We propose taking Year 7, in two halves to the Frontier Centre, near Irthlingborough in Northants. This will be a 2-night residential with all meals included and take place in February/March 2024. It is a busy activity break including a range of team building activities aimed at strengthening bonds between new forms.

We would take Ash, Beech, Cedar, Maple on Wednesday 28th February 2024 departing school at 11am by coach. Students would attend school in non-uniform that morning. They will return on Friday 1st March 2024 in the afternoon around 2pm.

We would then arrive by 12pm and start activities almost immediately. Accommodation is in shared rooms with en-suite facilities. 8 members of staff (in most cases the form tutor plus non-teaching staff) would accompany each visit. All activities would, however, be led by qualified instructors with all equipment provided and full risk assessments carried out.

The students would return to school on the afternoon of Wednesday 1st March 2024 around 2pm.

The next visit, would see Oak, Rowan, Sycamore and Willow depart on Monday 11th March 2024 at 11am and return Wednesday 13th March 2024 in the afternoon around 2pm.

Students should be able to return on the school buses as long as there are no delays.

I have deliberately chosen a local centre to reduce travel time and cost.

The cost of the visit to include equipment, food, travel and all activities would be just £195 per student.

Families in receipt of free school meals will be eligible for partial support with this and if you require support, please email m.howes@campionschool.org.uk

I need a quick return please with a **non-refundable deposit of £50 by 6th November 2023** on ParentPay. You may choose to pay the full amount if you wish. (this is only refundable if the Frontier centre cancel our visit for any reason). Full payment is due by 6th January 2024. You have the option of paying in two instalments on ParentPay. Using ParentPay, you give your consent for your child to attend.

Likely activities are canoeing, bushcraft, climbing and orienteering as well as evening activities. I attach links to the centre (<https://rockuk.org/centres/frontier-centre/>) and a video (but please bear in mind some of the activities are summer based and the programme is subject to changes) <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nvGG3JBIQFI>.

I will hold a trip briefing in early February 2024 to let you know about items needed and arrangements.

I think this will an excellent opportunity for our new Year 7 to further develop friendships and learn those character skills which form part of our core values.



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We really hope every child will attend but places will be given on a first come first served basis.

For those who do not wish to come on the visit, supervised study will take place in school but there will be no formal lessons as the majority of the year half will be away.

Yours sincerely

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