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Watersports Trip 2017

Dear Student and Parent / Guardian,

We are currently looking at running a Watersports Trip to France that will take place from Sunday 2nd July – Monday 10th July.

We would leave school on the Sunday morning, travelling overnight via Dover / Calais to the PGL Mimosa centre which is located on the Mediterranean coast near Cap D'Agde. There students will be staying in tented accommodation (with beds) for 3 nights on a full board basis, with our own shower / toilet block close by. The days will be spent enjoying a range of activities including Catamaran Sailing; snorkelling, banana boating, abseiling, sit on kayaks and windsurfing, led by qualified instructors.



We will then move onto the Ardeche based centre Domaine Des Segries via the Cap D'Agde Waterpark where we will spend a day on the waterslides and lazy river. Our accommodation at Domaine Des Segries will be en-suite wooden chalets. We will spend three days canoeing down the Ardeche River in Open / Canadian style canoes, led by qualified instructors.



Evenings at both centres will be spent participating in a variety of activities alongside a nightly disco. During free time, there is a games room at Mimosa alongside a Basketball with a swimming pool; table tennis tables and basketball court at Domaine Des Segries. There will also be an opportunity to try out your French speaking skills visiting Pont Vallon near the Ardeche gorge for an evening.



Whilst staying at the PGL centres, students will be served three meals a day. Breakfast will be a choice of cereals; croissants, pain au chocolat and breads with lunch being served buffet style whilst at Mimosa and a picnic by the river whilst canoeing. Each evening there will be a cold meat platter and salad bar alongside a two course menu including vegetarian options. There will also be the opportunity to try snails if that appeals!

The total cost for the trip will be £625. This includes return transport from Plympton Academy on an executive coach air-conditioned coach; return ferry crossing from Dover – Calais; full board accommodation whilst staying at the PGL centres; all activities and the day at the waterpark. It does not include food for the journey in either direction or spending money. Students will need to bring appropriate clothing, a sleeping bag and pillow and towels with them. Due to the nature of the activities, although students will be wearing buoyancy aids, students must be able to confidently swim 50 metres in order to take part.



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The trip needs 40 students to take place. At the moment we are just gauging interest. If enough students are interested, then we will need a £60 deposit by Wednesday 9th November and then a second deposit of £100 by Monday 12th December. The remaining balance of £465 will then need to be paid by Wednesday 3rd May. All payments will need to be made via parent pay. If a student decides they no longer want to take part in the trip once deposits have been paid, then we are unable to return these due to charges we will face.

If you are interested in taking part, then please complete the reply slip below. These need to be returned by Wednesday 19th October. If enough students are interested, then I will contact you again with more details and to arrange payment of the deposit. If you require any more information, then please contact me via email hartleyi@plympton.academy

Yours faithfully

Mr Ian Hartley
Head of RS & Personal Development

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F.A.O. Mr Ian Hartley

Student Name _____ Tutor Group _____

Is interested in taking part in the Watersports Trip 2017. We understand that the initial deposit needs to be paid by Wednesday 9th November; the second payment by Monday 12th December with the final amount due by Wednesday 3rd May.

Signed (Person with Parental Responsibility)

Date

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