

22<sup>nd</sup> January 2019



The Queen Elizabeth  
Academy

“We Can and We Will”

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**‘PGL ARDECHE ADVENTURE 2020’**

Building on the success of previous trips to PGL activity centres in the UK, I am pleased to be able to offer a new and exciting outdoor education adventure to take place in the south of France. This exciting initiative will give our young people at The Queen Elizabeth Academy the opportunity to develop personal skills and qualities and is exclusively available to current year 7 students only.

PGL are the leading adventure holiday provider in the UK. As pioneers of children's adventure holidays since 1957 they have demonstrated with consistency the ability to deliver high quality unique experiences for thousands of schools in hundreds of locations. They have a vast amount of knowledge and experience that allow them to provide children with an experience that they will remember for the rest of their lives.

I have been lucky to receive 40 provisional places for pupils for an 8 day tour departing during the **May half term holiday 2020** (Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> May to Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May). The cost of the trip will be **£635**. If your child receives free school meals, the school will contribute **£150** towards the cost of the trip. To secure a place a **£80 deposit** will be required, please hand this in to reception at the earliest opportunity to avoid disappointment. You will be issued with a receipt for your payment. The price includes:

- Return coach journey to France with 2 overnight journeys.
- 6 nights' accommodation.
- Additional transportation provided for scheduled activities.
- Travel insurance.
- Meals provided including breakfast, lunch and an evening meal except for the journey to and from France.
- A one day excursion likely to be to a waterpark.
- Equipment hire and tuition for a range of activities including a 3 day canoeing trip down the Ardeche River, dinghy sailing, catamaran sailing, stand up paddle boarding and raft building.
- An evening trip to Vallon Pont D'Arc Town.
- Evening activities coordinated by PGL staff.

With this 'once in a school lifetime' opportunity, we are expecting a high level of interest in the trip. Therefore, I would like to invite you a meeting to answer any questions. The no-obligation meeting will be held at the school on **Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> January 2019**. The presentation will start promptly at **5.30pm** so please look to arrive in good time. We anticipate the presentation and questions will take around 20-30 minutes.

This project aims to be an experience and opportunity that will leave students with life long memories and further develop their personal and teamwork skills. Whilst life jackets will be provided for all water activities students must be able to swim 15 meters unaided. Should you wish your son / daughter to be included please complete and return the slip below.

Kind regards

Mr. M.Webb  
PE Department



**Please return to Reception**

Pupils Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Form: \_\_\_\_\_

- a.) My child is able to swim 15 meters and I wish for them to be registered for the forthcoming PGL adventure to France and enclose a non-refundable deposit of **£80**.
- b.) I am interested in my child taking part, but will attend the parents evening before making a commitment.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent / Guardian

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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