

# QUEEN ELIZABETH'S GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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14<sup>th</sup> June 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

## Year 8 Camping Trip

**Trip Lead: Mrs Caton**

We are fortunate to be able to offer a camping adventure trip to North Yorkshire. This residential trip is open to any student in Year 8. The trip departs from QEGS on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> July and returns on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2021

The venue is the Thornthwaite Activity Centre and Campsite. The Campsite is located near to the villages of Thornthwaite and Dacre situated in Nidderdale, North Yorkshire, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. There are 11 camping sites available spread over approximately 15 acres, with room for up to 120 campers in total. There is also a Yorkshire stone purpose-built Centre with full facilities for self-catering. The covered Barn area, in addition to a traversing wall, houses high ropes capability for climbing a caving ladder, wobble pole and prusiking. The campsite is available for use by Scouts, Guides and other youth organisations as well as school groups.

All activities are provided by Summit Rock Ltd, and will include a range from the following; high ropes, canoeing, caving, climbing, bushcraft, axe throwing, team building and trekking. Summit Rocks Ltd also provide evening activities, tents and all meals once on site.

There are a maximum of 96 spaces and will be on a first come first served basis. The total cost is £225 per child. Included in the price are also return coach travel from QEGS and a camp t shirt. QEGS staff will be present at all times. To take part in the activity a **non-refundable deposit of £50 is required by 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021**. The **balance will be required by 30<sup>th</sup> June 2021**. Payments are to be made via ParentPay\*.

No mobile phones nor electronic devices will be allowed, and students will be required to wear masks for the whole time on the coach. There will be a stop on route to the centre to allow students time without their masks on and time to eat. We are working to the covid guidance up to 19<sup>th</sup> July, but this may change while we are there.

We apologise for very short notice as organising any trip within the bounds of COVID restrictions has been a huge challenge. If you have any issues regarding payment dates please do contact us to see if we can resolve them.

A kit list will be provided to all students nearer the time (some items may also be borrowed).

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions by email at [wright@qegs.email](mailto:wright@qegs.email) or by telephoning the school.

Yours faithfully

Mrs H Caton

**Year 8 Progress Leader**

*\*by clicking the "consent" button on ParentPay to confirm the payment detailed above, you are also confirming that the emergency contact and medical details we have on our system are correct for your child. Please inform me as a matter of urgency should there be any changes to the details we hold.*

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