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Dear Parent/Carer

As the Kingswood residential is approaching, I want to provide the finer details and offer reassurances about any queries you may have about the trip.

## Kit

Please see attached the kit list which has been sent out previously. The only thing I would specifically suggest are some neoprene water shoes if you can pick them up cheaply. They can be a great alternative to getting their 2nd pair of trainers wet. Students are not allowed to wear wellies for the raft building. I appreciate it does say on the kit list to bring wellies and this is up to you. They will be fine in trainers for climbing activities. Regarding waterproof clothing, I would definitely recommend a waterproof jacket at least as it could rain, however, full waterproofs are recommended rather than compulsory. Please can you send your child with appropriate clothing for the nature of the trip. Skimpy shorts and crop tops should be avoided and are not suitable for the activities.

# Roomings

There is a plan in place with the information I have and the rooms we have available. Your child has had their input into who they would like to share a room with and I have had some individual conversations to adapt these where requested. There are 5 compartments within the adventure lodges, each with 2 bunk beds in. Bathroom facilities are at the back of the adventure lodges.

# Activities

The best bit! Your child will participate in a range of outdoor and adventurous activities such as climbing, raft building, problem solving to name a few. Students are strongly encouraged to participate and do their very best. I appreciate some have a fear of heights or can become unsure at times; group leaders and instructors will work with your child to encourage, support and reassure them as much as possible to complete an activity. Should they choose then not to go ahead, they can take an alternative role at the activity station. Your child will not, however, be forced to do any activity.

# Food

The food options are varied and very well suited to students' preferences and choices. Please indicate any allergies/food concerns on the form mentioned below; these can then be passed to the kitchen staff at Kingswood. They are very accommodating so please be assured that your child will eat! Students are welcome to bring some of their own snacks but I cannot stress to you enough that these need to be **nut and sesame seed free and also must not state "may contain nuts".** Please ensure your child brings a sensible amount of snacks for the duration of the trip.







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#### Money

Your child can bring a small amount of money with them (I would suggest no more than £10) if they wish. However, it is only a small shop, where they can buy snacks and gifts. Please note they will not be allowed to buy any items containing nuts.

## Technology

Mobile phones are NOT permitted on this trip and we ask for your support with this. Any phones that are taken will be confiscated until we return home. We will have the school mobile if we need to get in touch with any parents. The number will be given out before departure. This is only to be called outside of school hours (8am-4pm) if there is a genuine emergency.

We will also update our social media pages with trip information while we are there.

#### Behaviour

We want all pupils to have a fantastic experience and develop new skills while on the trip. However, they are representing the school and our usual behaviour system will be in place throughout our time at Kingswood.

#### Information Required

Please complete the form below with further information required for the trip. Although we hold some of this information in school already it is important that we have the most up to date information for the trip. **Please** complete this form no later than Wednesday 12 June 2024.

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#### Medication

Any medication will need to be brought in, labelled and with dosages clear by:

## WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE for students in 7ED, 7TC, 7TL, 7TM or,

#### WEDNESAY 19 JUNE for students in 7AWA, 7GD, 7CT

I hope that this letter has covered everything but if you have any further queries please let me know.

Kind regards

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Miss A Crossley Trip Leader/Strategic Second in PE







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