



# **Enrichment Week**

Monday 29 June – Friday 3 July 2020

# FAQs

## What is Enrichment Week?

Enrichment Week is a key part of our promise to deliver "*more than a visible curriculum and challenge all pupils to achieve more than they first think is possible*" here at Cirencester Deer Park School. As well as being great fun, the trips and activities have educational purposes that aim to:

- Give every pupil the opportunity to experience new situations outside of the classroom
- Widen pupils' horizons
- Give pupils the opportunity to learn new skills and meet new people
- Develop pupils' resilience, independence and confidence
- Promote the spiritual, moral, cultural, social and physical development of pupils
- Prepare pupils for the opportunities, responsibilities and experiences of life in modern Britain.

## When does Enrichment Week take place?

Week commencing **MONDAY 29 JUNE 2020** for the whole week.

## Why plan Enrichment Week so early?

Early planning allows parents to budget payment instalments over several months. Also, many activities get booked well in advance, so we need to confirm numbers early to ensure activities can take place.

## What should I do if I have a problem?

Talk to your tutor, the leader of the activity or Mr Bellamy, Pastoral Team Leader.

## How do I pay?

We encourage parents to pay online using [WisePay](#). There are specific payment deadlines for most activities and using WisePay also allows parents to schedule payments themselves. Please [contact the Finance Office](#) if you have forgotten your login details or have any other queries about WisePay. Please see the activity leader if there is a payment query.

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## How do I pay? ...cont'd

**Most activities require a deposit which MUST be paid by the deadline of FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2019. Pupils will not be considered for an activity if the deposit has not been paid.** Most activities will then have three payment deadlines: Friday 31 January 2020, Friday 28 February 2020, Friday 27 March 2020.

If any of your choices require a deposit, you only need to pay one deposit. If you pay a deposit but are not allocated an activity which requires a deposit, the deposit will be transferred to the activity that you have been allocated to and if the deposit paid is greater than the total cost of that activity, any balance will be refunded to you.

If you do not pay the deposit on an activity that requires one, you will not be allocated to that activity.

## How will places be allocated?

Places are **NOT allocated on a first come, first served basis**. All options will be dealt with at the same time, after the deadline of Friday 29 November 2019.

We try to give as many pupils as possible their first choice of activity. However, in the event that an activity is oversubscribed, a draw will take place of all the pupils who have opted for that activity.

Pupils who are unsuccessful in the initial draw will be allocated to their second preference. In the event of this being oversubscribed, a draw will take place and unsuccessful pupils will be allocated to their third preference. Based on previous experience it is very unlikely that pupils will not be allocated any of their chosen activities. **It is important, therefore, that pupils select a first, second and third preference.**

**Attendance and behaviour may be taken into account when selecting pupils for a trip.** Places on residential trips are subject to the discretion of the activity leader, and any pupil deemed to be a risk to the safety, comfort or enjoyment of others on the trip may be excluded from that activity.

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## **How will places be allocated? ...cont'd**

If pupils want to increase the chance of being with a particular friend on an activity, they may wish to staple their forms together but we cannot guarantee that they will be both allocated the same activity.

## **How will I know if I have my first choice?**

As soon as the groups are sorted they will be displayed on a notice board in School. We aim to do this before the end of term.

## **What if I want to change activity after allocation?**

It is not normally possible to change once places have been allocated. Once you have committed to an activity, should you then withdraw your child from the activity for avoidable reasons, the school will make its best endeavours to minimise your liability for the total cost of the trip, but we cannot guarantee that you will not be asked to pay for the full cost of the trip if we are unable to obtain a refund from the activity provider.

## **When should I bring my Reply Form back?**

Completed forms, and any relevant deposit, must be handed in to Mrs Testar in the Finance Office before the end of **FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2019 AT THE VERY LATEST.**

## **What happens if I don't return my Reply Form?**

Make sure you return your reply form so that you have an Enrichment Week that will challenge and interest you. However, if you do not opt for anything, you will be allocated to the lowest cost activity available.

# Year 7 Aim for the Stars

All Year 7 pupils take part in activities which help develop team building and communication skills and give individuals a challenge. Most of the activities take place off school site. You will spend the week with your tutor group and, in most cases, with your tutor.

You will spend a day at **Waterland, Cotswold Water Park** where you can experience three activities from kayaking, sailing, canoeing, windsurfing and rafting; or land-based activities if you don't want to go in the water.

On one day you will learn some **Woodcraft Skills** and make a camp fire and cook your own lunch on it as well as some other challenges! You may get muddy!



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# Year 7 Aim for the Stars

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You will spend a day working on a **STEM challenge** with STEM ambassadors in small groups, this will be based at school. You will have the chance to be creative and persuasive in a Dragon's Den type task.

One day will be based around the theme of **Community** with a trip into Cirencester, visiting the amphitheatre and the museum, plus two school-based activities looking at personal safety.

At **Cotswold Country Park, Head 4 Heights** offer challenges based on working at height—you will do things you never dreamed possible! Plus time for a swim at the beach.



**All Year 7**

**Total Cost: £85 by end April 2020**

**Deposit: £25 by end November 2019**

# Year 8 Expressive Arts Project

The school-based Expressive Arts Project aims to create a small scale theatre performance to enable pupils to experience being a member of such a company. We expect you to show **passion, professionalism and initiative**.

During this week you will experience how to design music scores using GarageBand, make costumes, props, musical instruments, as well as developing your acting skills.

We aim to build self-confidence and improve on team work, performing and communication skills, all done in a safe environment with a small group of people.



**Total Cost: £0** This activity is free!

# Year 8 Football

Are you football crazy? Do you want to improve your skills and game play? If your answer is YES, then this Football option, open to both boys and girls, could be your dream come true!

1 or 2 days at **Tottenham Hotspur**, including world-class training and a Stadium Tour.  
3 or 4 days with **Swindon Town FC** coaches / Mr Schlaefli, based at **school**. The school-based activities will include technical and tactical play, plus individual and team competitions and matches, medals and certificates. What a great opportunity!

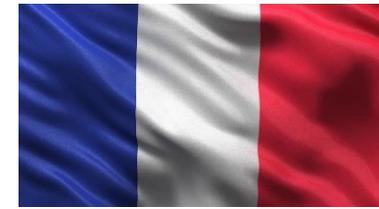
*\*Final cost will be confirmed when we have confirmed numbers of pupils*



**40 pupils Total Cost: £175-£200\*** by Friday 27 March 2020 **Deposit: £50** by Friday 29 November 2019

# Year 8 France

Adventure in Normandy



This **6 day** Normandy Adventure leaves on Sunday and returns on Friday. You will travel by coach and ferry and spend five nights sleeping in a **tent!** You don't need to be studying French to go on this trip but you can practise your French if you are.

There are many varied activities including archery, bread making, orienteering, climbing, beach games, visit to Mont St Michel bay, canoeing, visit to local market, sports tournament, visit to goats cheese farm, BBQ & camp fire.



**40 pupils**

**Total Cost: £350 by Friday 27 March 2020**

**Deposit: £100 by Friday 29 November 2019**

# Year 8 Germany

Rheinland - Rivers, Monuments and Thrills



Perhaps you have never thought of Germany as a tourist destination? Take part in this trip and be pleasantly surprised by breath-taking scenery, gorgeous cakes, fairytale castles and one of the biggest and best theme parks in Europe. We travel by **coach** and ferry or Eurotunnel and stay at a **hostel** in the picturesque town of Brodenbach on the banks of the River Rhein. You don't have to be studying German to join us.

Day trips include visits to Marksburg Castle, the ancient town of Rudesheim, a boat trip down the Rhine and a full day at Phantasialand, multi-award winning theme park and one of the biggest in Europe.



**40 pupils**

**Total Cost: £385 by Friday 27 March 2020    Deposit: £100 by Friday 29 November 2019**

# Year 8 M-A-S-S-I-V-E

For pupils wishing to stay **school-based** during Enrichment Week, we offer a range of 'MASSIVE' local experiences and challenges which you will do in teams during the week:

- Indoor Rock Climbing
- Circus Skills
- T-shirt Printing
- Team and Leadership Skills
- Farm Visit
- Sports
- Outdoor Pool Party
- Orienteering
- Archery
- Cycling

Multi  
Activities  
Skills  
Successes  
Initiative  
Variety  
Excitement



**Unlimited pupils**    **Total Cost:** £45 by Friday 27 March 2020    **Deposit:** £15 by Friday 29 November 2019

# Year 8 Wales

Castles, Peaks and Coasts



Do you like the idea of **4 nights** away from home, staying with your friends in **Youth Hostels** and exploring Wales? Then why not sign up for this trip!

During the week we travel by coach and visit St Fagans and Big Pit Museum on one day, have an action-packed day in the Brecon Beacons, a day in Aberystwyth at the castle and the beach, a hike in Snowdonia National Park, plus a visit to Canaervon Castle.



**40 pupils**    **Total Cost:** £285 by Friday 27 March 2020    **Deposit:** £100 by Friday 29 November 2019

# Year 9 Baking Challenge

Would you like to be challenged to create culinary delights using different baking skills? Each day there will be a **Best Baker**, with an ultimate **Deer Park Baking Champion** at the end of the week.

You will be provided with ingredients and will plan each day's baking the day before, selecting recipes and using your own innovation and skill to create some delicious treats. You will have some expert demonstrations to teach you new skills, including getting the best rise on your bread, perfect piping and intricate decorations which will give you inspiration for your own bakes.

The bakes will be judged on appearance and style, originality and taste.



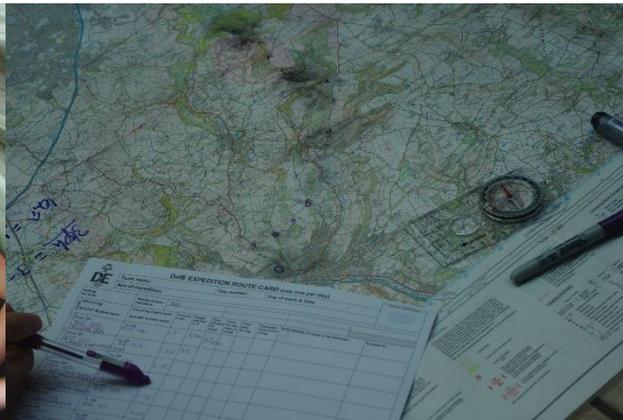
**24 pupils**    **Total Cost:** £15 by Friday 27 March 2020    **Deposit:** £5 by Friday 29 November 2019

# Year 9 DofE Bronze Award



*60 pupils will be doing their DofE Bronze Award. If you have already had a letter confirming your place, you do not have to make a 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choice on the Enrichment Week options form.*

The Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme (Bronze Award) has four sections: Volunteering, Physical, Skill, and Expedition. During **Enrichment Week**, the training and preparation for the qualifying **Expedition** will take place and consists of 1 full day training, 2 days expedition preparation and a 2 day practice expedition in the Stroud area. The final expedition will take place in the Forest of Dean in September 2020.



**60 pupils**

**Total Cost: £205 by end April 2020**

**Deposit: Already paid**

# Year 9 International Enterprise Challenge

This exciting challenge at our partner school Alfrink College in The Netherlands focuses on entrepreneurship, design skills and international team work. It is an excellent practical introduction to Business Studies. Pupils are required to work together on **The Toothpaste Challenge** ahead of departure, to research and create their own toothpaste.

This 6 day option leaves on **Sunday** and pupils will experience Dutch life by staying with local families. They will work in international teams to develop and market their own brands of toothpaste, whilst trying to win the coveted Golden Toothbrush!

*\*Final cost will be confirmed when we have booked flights*



**12 pupils**

**Total Cost: £150-175\* by Friday 27 March 2020 Deposit: £50 by Friday 29 November 2019**

# Year 9 STEM

Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths

This activity is great for pupils who are **creative, team players** and want to have fun with **STEM related activities**. You will spend the week working with various external STEM groups on exciting, engaging and interesting projects.

The providers and activities vary year on year but last year included a whole day murder mystery investigation working with a real life Forensic SOCO, The Big Bang Science Fair, A Cars of the Future session with EDF energy and a Science of Flight day which included a 3:1 scale model of a Hawker Hurricane, an actual light aircraft brought into school and the chance to build and test different flying crafts.



**40 pupils**    **Total Cost:** £40 by Friday 27 March 2020    **Deposit:** £10 by Friday 29 November 2019

# Year 9 Water Sports

We spend three days at **South Cerney Outdoor Education Centre**. In groups of up to 10 we are taught how to sail, kayak, windsurf, SUP, canoe and build rafts.

The other two days we are based at **Cotswold Country Park & Beach**, from where we do a variety of activities including hiking, playing ball games, AquaVenture, swimming, orienteering and eating masses of picnic food.

If you are willing to try new activities, work well in a team, like the outdoors (in all weathers!) and can swim 50 metres, this could be for you! You must be able to get to South Cerney or Cotswold Country Park each morning for approx 9am and back home each afternoon at approx 3.30pm as **transport is not provided**.



**40 pupils**    **Total Cost: £130 by Friday 27 March 2020**    **Deposit: £50 by Friday 29 November 2019**

# Enrichment Week

Monday 29 June – Friday 3 July 2020



## Year 7

All Year 7 pupils will 'Aim for the Stars' during Enrichment Week



## Year 8 and Year 9

- Discuss the options with your parents
- Make 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices, in case you don't get your first option
- **Return your signed form (and pay any deposit via WisePay) to the Finance Office by FRIDAY 29 NOVEMBER 2019 at the very latest**
- Options should be announced before the end of term