11 November 2022

Letter to All Year 8 and Year 9 Parents

Dear Parent/Carer

Re Enrichment Week – Monday 3 July to Friday 7 July 2023

We are delighted that this year we are able to revert back to our traditional Enrichment Week between **Monday 3 - Friday 7 July 2023**. 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"*. As well as being great fun, the trips and activities have educational purposes, and provide opportunities for pupils to challenge themselves in ways they might not have thought of, from overcoming the fear of heights to staying away from home for the first time. Enrichment Week also gives pupils the chance to meet and make new friends, whilst building relationships with teachers and staff in another context.

Pupils have received an assembly from me this week to advise them of the opportunities available to them during the week of Monday 3 - Friday 7 July 2023. Additional information will be available via Latest News on our website <u>www.deerparkschool.net</u> including total costs, deposits for each activity, outline itineraries for each activity and other FAQs.

Accompanying this letter is the **Enrichment Week Application form.** Please can I ask that this is completed with your son/daughter's **three** choices and signed by the parent/carer. Applications will not be accepted if they are not signed by a parent or carer. Pupils have also been asked to complete an online MS form application, which has been circulated to pupils via SMHW. The deadline for the online and hard copy applications and payment of any deposit is Friday 18 November 2022. The hard copy application should be handed to me in the pastoral office. The deposit for the 1st choice activity should be paid via WisePay by the same deadline, Friday 18 November 2022.

If pupils are unsuccessful in being allocated to their 1st choice activity, any deposit paid will either be transferred to the activity they are allocated or refunded. Whilst we will try and ensure that pupils get their first choice activity, this isn't always possible. Where the activities are oversubscribed a draw will take place.

If pupils don't complete an Application form, they will be assigned to an activity.

I appreciate that timescales and deadlines are tight, however we are currently holding places with the activity providers which require securing as soon as possible. I thank you in advance for your understanding with this. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Yours sincerely

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Simon Bellamy Assistant Head