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Dear S1 Parent / Carer

S1 Team Building and Outdoor Education Day

As you may be aware a highlight for our first year students in previous years has been our residential trip to Barcaple which would normally have taken place in in mid-September. Unfortunately due to on-going Covid restrictions we have been unable to plan any residential trips for our S1 students. The S1 Residential Trip provides our young people with a fantastic opportunity to get to know fellow students within their House group class as well as building relationships with key staff including their Pastoral Care Teacher.

From talking to our young people since they have started at Hyndland we realise that many of them have very much missed the opportunity to attend a residential trip in primary 7. In order to compensate for some of this disappointment and to also afford our young people a valuable opportunity to get to know their fellow peers in a more relaxed environment out with the classroom, we are planning to hold an outdoor learning day for every S1 student to attend. Please find details of this planned excursion below;

- Each student will attend one full day of activities at Auchengillan Outdoor Centre in Blanefield.
- Students will leave the school at 8.45am travelling by private coach and will return to school at 3.00pm.
- Students should take a packed lunch with them (those who receive free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch by the school).
- Whilst the young people are at Auchengillan, they will take part in a variety of activities which may include; climbing wall, archery and a team building challenge.
- Class 1R and 1T will attend on Monday 8th November.
- Classes 1L1 and 1L2 will attend on Tuesday 9th November.
- Classes 1K1 and 1K2 will attend on Wednesday 10th November.

The school will cover the full cost of the trip. To prepare for all weather conditions I strongly advise the young people to wear older clothing suitable for the outdoors, warm layers, gloves and a waterproof jacket. They should also bring a change of clothing including shoes in case they become wet during the day.

Auchengillan Outdoor Centre have carried out full risks assessments for their day activities and appropriate health and safety requirements such as hand sanitising etc will be in place during the full day.

You will be provided with a consent form which we require to be completed and returned as soon as possible to the school – these should be handed into the Depute Head Office, Pastoral Care Base or main school office. If you have any specific questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact Ms Letford, Depute Head Teacher.

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We are very much hoping that all young people will be able to attend this day. Given the positive feedback from our S1 cohort last session we know this will be a fantastic day of outdoor learning which will not only give our first year students a fun day out but will also provide a fantastic opportunity to develop their team work skills and to build upon the relationships which have already started to form.

Kind regards,

V Letford

Ms V Letford
Depute Head Teacher S1

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