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Dear Parents/Carers

### LLANRUG OUTDOOR EDUCATION COURSE – 1<sup>st</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Each year, we have the opportunity to take Year 7 students to the Arete Outdoor Activity Centre near Caernarfon. The centre is renowned for the quality of its courses, being one of the best-equipped centres in the country.

It is located on the northern fringe of Snowdonia and all the activities take place in that wonderful environment, using its natural features to the full. Any student attending the course will enjoy activities selected from those listed below, dependent on the weather conditions at the time.

- Canoeing and kayaking
- Rock climbing/abseiling
- Hill/mountain walking
- Gorge scrambling (climbing through a series of waterfalls)
- Orienteering
- Coasteering/sea level traversing
- And in exceptional conditions, white-water rafting.

Details are available on the centre's very informative website – <http://www.aretecentre.co.uk>.

The course is for five days and four nights from Monday, 1<sup>st</sup> July until Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024. The cost will be £360 per student, including all transport, specialist equipment and clothing, tuition, food and accommodation. This can be paid in 4 x easy monthly (January-April 2023) instalments of £75 via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com), plus an initial deposit of £60. This for a trip that is both a true adventure and an unforgettable experience! Parents/carers whose children are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding will have some subsidy from the school – please contact me for details – but will need to pay the deposit in the first instance.

If you would like to reserve a place for your child, please complete the following Google form by Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> December 2023, and pay an initial deposit of £60 paid on ParentPay. Both of these steps need to be completed to reserve your place and it may be given to another student, if one or the other are not completed. Should there be any difficulty in sending in this first deposit and you would still like your child to be considered for this trip, please contact me at school as soon as possible.

#### [Llanrug Sign-up Form](#)

*(If the link does not work, copy and paste the following into your browser search bar: <https://forms.gle/kFTJ3JmrZ2vnFCdF9>)*



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If there are more applications from students than places available, then in the interests of fairness, names will be drawn at random by the Senior Leadership Team, whose decision is final.

As with all school trips, **students' behaviour and attendance** will be expected to remain at a high standard in order to take part. The Senior Leadership team will have final approval of those students who have applied for a place and reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip at any time if their behaviour or attendance drops below an acceptable standard. In that instance, no money paid will be returned. Similarly, if you decide to withdraw your child from the trip for any reason, you will not be refunded unless we can fill the place.

During the week that the students are at the Outdoor Centre, there will be an Activities Week based in school for those not going to North Wales. Details of this will be coming out after Christmas.

Yours faithfully

Miss L Botting  
Trip Leader

