

22nd May 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 8 Bonding and Team Building Trip to Adventure Island
on Tuesday 18th July 2023
Southend-on-Sea, Western Esplanade, SS1 1EE**

We are delighted to inform you that we are organising a trip to Adventure Island on Tuesday 18th July. The trip is planned to give students the opportunity to develop their bonding and team building skills. It will be a chance to have fun and celebrate the end of the school year, and will provide students with an invaluable, enjoyable, and memorable experience.

We expect to take a group of up to 200 students who will be supervised by at least 16 members of staff, and we will travel on coaches. **We will leave promptly at 8:30am** and ask that you ensure your child is ready to meet in The Rookery by 8:15am. **We expect to return to Rooks Heath School by approximately 6:00pm**, where students will be dismissed and allowed to make their own way home. In the unlikely event of any unforeseen circumstances arising, which prevent the activity taking place, the group will return to Rooks Heath School. **Please note, we reserve the right to refuse a student's participation in an off-site activity where their current behaviour fails to meet the school's expectations and/or presents a health and safety concern.**

Students can wear their own clothes which should be appropriate. Please ensure your child brings sunscreen and a hat in case of hot weather, or a jacket in case of rain. Lunch for students is included in the price of the trip. Students may bring a small amount of spending money to purchase drinks and snacks at the venue. If your child has a regular need for medication such as asthma, please ensure they have it with them on the day.

A voluntary contribution of £33.00 is requested to cover the cost of entry to the theme park, lunch, and coach travel. There is no obligation to contribute, and no student will be omitted from the trip, but it will be necessary to have sufficient voluntary contributions for the activity to take place. The School tries to ensure that all students have the opportunity to experience activities, outside school, regardless of their financial circumstances. However, if we do not receive sufficient contributions, then we will be unable to cover the cost of the trip and it will have to be cancelled.

If you would like your child to participate in this fun trip, please pay using your ParentPay account at www.parentpay.com. If you do not have your log in details, please contact the school office. If you do not wish to pay online, please contact the school office for a PayPoint letter which you can take to your local Paypoint enabled store and make a payment using the printed barcode. Payment must be received by **5th June 2023** to allow the School sufficient time to plan the trip. If the trip is oversubscribed by the deadline, names of students who can participate will be selected at random.

Yours faithfully,



Ms H. Grover
Head of Year 8

