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10<sup>th</sup> December, 2020

Dear Parent / Carer,

Our Year 8 Outdoor Pursuits (Watersports) Residential will take place over the weekend of  $21^{st} - 23^{rd}$  May 2021. Students will leave school at 2.30 pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2021 and return at approximately 4.30 pm on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021.

This residential will be held at the Arthog Outdoor Education Centre, situated on the Western Coastal of Wales, in Snowdonia National Park overlooking the Mawddach Estuary. Students will be taking part in a variety Watersports Activities. The staff to student ratio will be 1:10 and whilst participating in activities, instructors will accompany groups at all times. The water-based activities, will require a full buoyancy aid to be worn.

The centre has dormitory accommodation. Members of staff will be on duty throughout the night. A wide variety of meals are served and special dietary requirements will, of course, be catered for.

There are 20 places available and the total cost will be £168. The cost covers the return transport to the centre, accommodation, fully qualified instructional staff, use of specialist equipment and food. If you find it difficult to meet this cost, you are invited to contact the business manager in confidence to discuss payment. Students on free school meals will be supported by the pupil premium fund; for these students the cost will be £85.

Behaviour prior to the trip will need to be exemplary to ensure the safety and enjoyment of all students, and to allow the trip to run safely and successfully, all students must be prepared to abide by the school's behaviour code. If a student were to behave in a way that would put at risk the enjoyment and/or safety of other students, staff will contact parents/carers to arrange early collection of their child.

A PowerPoint presentation outlining information about the trip can be found on the Mary Webb School website (Latest News)

We are fully aware that restrictions may still be in place next year, but would rather be optimistic at this point. Arthog have assured us that if restrictions still apply and the trip has to be cancelled you will be eligible for a full refund.

If your child is interested in taking part in this visit, please complete the slip below and return it to school by Friday 8th January 2021.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at school if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

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Mr D White	Mr G Davies	Mr P Salmon
Teacher of Physical Education	Deputy Headteacher	Business Manager
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Arthog Outdoor Education Centre 21st – 23 <sup>rd</sup> May 2021		
Student Name:	ent Name:	
I wish my son/daughter to	be considered for this trip.	
I have accessed all of the i	nformation required to make a decis	ion about this trip.
Name of Parent/Carer: Sig		
Please return	slip to the School Office by Friday, 8	<sup>th</sup> January 2021 (DW/LB)