

September 2017

Dear Parent

Learning for Life Day Year 7 Teambuilding Activity

Our first Learning for Life Day is on Friday 13 October 2017. All students in year 7 will participate in teambuilding activities for part of the day, with the remainder of the day being spent on other Learning for Life activities. The aim of the teambuilding work is to give students the opportunity to get to know each other and to help build positive relationships. All of the activities will take place outdoors **whatever the weather** so students need to be well prepared.

For the teambuilding activities students will need to wear warm comfortable trousers, leggings or tracksuit bottoms (not jeans), an old pair of trainers/wellies/walking shoes/boots and bring a fleece or jumper, waterproof coat, hat, gloves and a plastic bag to put dirty/clean clothes in. Your child will need plenty to drink and it might be useful to provide an additional snack for them. Please make sure that belongings are labelled as experience tells us that we will have a number of items left behind at the end of the day!

When not taking part in teambuilding, students will be in classroom-based lessons so will need to have the correct uniform and bring their pencil case. The schedule and instructions for students are as follows:

Students in 7F, 7H, 7R and 7S and Learning Support students - Periods 1 and 2:

- Arrive in teambuilding kit, with school uniform in a clean bag.
- Go to registration as usual and at the start of period 1 take school bags and clean uniform bags to the PE changing rooms. You will then be taken out on to the field.
- At break you will go to the PE changing rooms to get changed.
- Periods 3-5 Learning for Life sessions. Pencil cases needed.

Students in 7C, 7E and 7L -Periods 4 and 5:

- Arrive in normal school uniform with equipment and bring teambuilding kit with you. Periods 1-3 will be in classroom-based activities.
- At the start of lunch, 12.15pm, go to the PE changing rooms to get changed. When changed, leave bags in the PE changing rooms and have lunch as usual.
- At the end of lunchtime, go to the PE changing rooms from where you will be taken to the field.
- Teambuilding activities during periods 4 and 5. You will collect your bags at the end of period 5 from the changing rooms and go home in your teambuilding kit.

Following the day, there will be a brief evaluation exercise to complete. This will be distributed in tutor time on Friday morning.

For further details of our Learning for Life curriculum, please refer to our website under the curriculum tab.

Many thanks and we hope students enjoy their day.

Yours faithfully

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