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24th November 2017

Dear Parent/Guardian

Norfolk Lakes - Y8 Residential 2018

In October 2018 the school will run a Residential Education Course for all boys currently in Year 7. The school has organised entitlement residential trips for over 20 years and they have always proved to be both valuable and enjoyable. Students who have taken part in previous years have returned to school having benefited greatly from this opportunity. We shall be going to Norfolk Lakes, a centre which was new to the school last year. The students and staff alike could not praise the staff and the facilities at the centre enough, if you visit www.manoradventure.com you can find out more information and the types of activities the boys will be participating in.

There will be an information evening in September **2018** which will be held in The Cripps Hall Theatre. During this evening I will go over all arrangements and details for the trip, you will receive confirmation times of this meeting closer to the time.

The trip will run from Monday 15th to Friday 19th October, departure at approximately 11:00 on Monday 15th, returning mid-afternoon on Friday 19th. These times are provisional and will be confirmed nearer the departure date. The cost per pupil is subsidised by the Foundation Governors at Northampton School *for Boys* and covers coach, accommodation, food and activities. The boys will work with qualified instructors as well as two members of staff per form from the school.

Students who remain will not be involved in lessons as the whole school is off timetable due to Enterprise Week. They will, however, be expected to attend school and activities for the week will be arranged for them.

Total cost per student is £340 and includes: -

- Transport to and from the Centre
- Full Board/Catering
- All activities
- Beds in chalets (*Students will need to bring their own sleeping bag and pillow case*)

Students will go out as a whole year group accompanied by their form tutors and other members of staff. The School Insurance Policy covers all members of the group.

All activities will be led and supervised by trained staff. School staff will be in attendance throughout the stay and will be taking part alongside the students whenever practical.

School staff will supervise the students during the evening and be on call throughout the night. The centre has secure automated entrance gates, CCTV and a night-time security patrol.

Each day will consist of many activities chosen from the extensive list provided by the centre. The programme will be organised to ensure all students have a similar experience. A full list of activities and a kit list will be available closer to the date of travel.

Please complete the Medical Consent/Information Form in full, sign and return. Payments are to be made via Parent-pay where possible, or cheque (payable to Northampton School *for Boys*) with student name, form and destination written on the back. Cash is acceptable if you prefer to pay by this method, please put in a sealed envelope with student name, form and trip destination on the front. Please note, all cash/cheque payment should be sent to **The Finance Office** in the first instance. A non-refundable deposit of £60 is required by Friday 15th December 2017.

Further payments are due by the following dates: -

- 2nd payment of £60 by end of February 2018
- 3rd payment of £60 by end of April 2018
- 4th payment of £60 due by end of June 2018
- **Final payment of £100 by Friday 7th September 2018**

I trust that parents will appreciate the marvellous opportunity that is being offered to the pupils of this school and will give their fullest support. Please contact me at the school if you require any further details prior to the meeting.

Mrs T O'Neill
Team Leader Residential Education

REPLY SLIP with MEDICAL FORM to – STUDENT SERVICES BY 15TH December 2018

After this date we will not accept any more applications

I/we* confirm that (Name): _____ Form: _____ will/will not*
be attending the Year 8 trip to Norfolk Lakes from 15th to 19th October 2018.

I/We* claim for free school meals. Yes / No (**confirmation will be required**)

I/We* believe we may be eligible for financial assistance due to low income. Yes / No

I /We* acknowledge that the non- refundable deposit is required by the **15th Dec 2017** and that the final payment is due by **Friday 7th September 2018.**

If you believe you are entitled to assistance please indicate above, **pay £30 deposit** in the first instance and the additional payments will be amended and you will be contacted via letter.

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Parent/Guardian

(*Please delete as appropriate)

Please note that by this signing this form you have reserved a place for your child and will be charged. If your child withdraws from the trip (unless there are special circumstances that have been discussed with Mrs O'Neill) you will still be expected to pay for the place. Please make sure you complete (in full), sign and return the Medical Consent/Information Form attached to this letter with the reply slip.