



16 March 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Year 9 Activities Day to Thriftwood, Brentwood**

We would like to offer your child the opportunity to take part in the Thriftwood trip on Wednesday 19 July 2023.

Students will need to arrive at Thriftwood Scout Camp Site, Orchard Avenue, Brentwood, Essex, CM12 3DP for 10.00am. The trip will be led by me and we will be accompanied by 30 members of staff. On the day, the students have the choice of partaking in a variety of activities which will include climbing wall, leap of faith, archery, axe throwing, pedal cars and much more. The day will finish at approximately 3.30pm when students can be collected or make their own way home.

Lunch will not be provided so students should bring a packed lunch. Students eligible for free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch; please let Mrs Camy, Year 9 Administrator, know if you require this.

Due to the trip being activities based, students will be required to wear their St Martin's PE kit on the day.

Students will not be allowed to wander alone or outside the defined area or leave the group without the explicit permission of staff. Staff will remain within designated areas so that they are available should difficulties arise.

As the trip will take place during the school day, we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution of £33.00 to cover the expense of providing the off-site activity. If we do not receive enough voluntary contributions, it is likely that the trip will have to be cancelled. If your child is Pupil Premium the cost of this trip will be covered by the school.

If you are interested in your child participating, full payment for the trip is required now via ParentPay with the consent form given to the finance office no later than Friday 9 June. Payment is non-refundable unless a replacement can be found. It is not compulsory for students to take part in this trip and for those not wishing to attend, lessons will be timetabled within normal school hours.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email at [cemms@st-martins.essex.sch.uk](mailto:cemms@st-martins.essex.sch.uk)

Yours sincerely

Miss C Emms  
**Head of Year 9 & Trip Leader**

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