



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.

The activities day will start at Thriftwood Scout Camp Site, Orchard Avenue, Brentwood, Essex, CM12 3DP at 10.00am and finish at 3.30pm. As your child takes the contract bus to school, they are able to still arrive by bus at 8.30am and will then walk down to Thriftwood for 10.00am. Alternatively, your child can make their own way to Thriftwood for 10.00am. Due to the finish time the contract buses will not be available and alternative provisions will need to be made for your child to get home. Please complete and return the travel arrangements slip below to the year office by Friday 9 June.

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.

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.

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

Yours sincerely

Miss C Emms
Head of Year 9 & Trip Leader

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Please return to Mrs D Camy in the Year 9 office by Friday 9 June 2023

Re: Thriftwood Activities Day – Travel Arrangements

Name of student Form

Please tick the relevant box

My child will be using the contract bus to arrive to school for 8.30am and will walk to Thriftwood.	
My child will be using alternative provisions to arrive at Thriftwood for 10.00am.	

Parent/Carer signature Date/...../.....