



13 September 2018

Dear Parents and Carers

**Re: Year 7 Activity Trip to Marle Hall Outdoor Education Centre**

I would like to offer your son or daughter the opportunity to take part in the Year 7 Activity Trip to Marle Hall Outdoor Education Centre in North Wales. The aim of the trip is to give new Year 7 students an opportunity to meet new people in their year group, take part in adventurous activities and learn team building skills. The dates of this visit are from Monday 15 April to Friday 19 April 2019.

The students will take part in a number of adventurous activities organised as part of the trip. Students will be expected to behave responsibly. Although the final itinerary is yet to be finalised, the activities are as follows:

- **Rock climbing**
- **Canoeing**
- **Bushcraft**
- **Mountain day (hiking)**
- **Gorge Walking**

We will travel to Marle Hall Outdoor Education Centre by coach, leaving school on the morning of the 15 April and travelling to Llandudno Junction, North Wales. We will return to school by coach on the afternoon of 19 April. En-route, we will be stopping at motorway service stations where students will be supervised by St Martin's staff.

The students will be provided with four nights' accommodation at Marle Hall and all meals will be provided for them.

The cost of the trip will be £322 per student inclusive of transport, accommodation, food and all activities and equipment. If any money is not used, i.e. for contingency, this will be reimbursed after the trip.

The group will be led by me, Miss Stannard and I will also be accompanied by six other members of St Martin's School staff. If the trip is oversubscribed, places on the trip will be randomly allocated by computer to ensure fairness. You do not need to enclose a deposit at this stage and if your child is successful in gaining a place you will be informed when the deposit or full payment is required. It is important to note that should the payment deadline be missed your son or daughter's place on the trip may be in jeopardy. Unsuccessful students will be placed on a waiting list.

If your son or daughter is interested in participating in this trip, please fill in the attached consent form with full medical information and dietary requirements included. Please return this form to the Finance Office by Friday 28 September.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact me via the following email address: [istannard@st-martins.essex.sch.uk](mailto:istannard@st-martins.essex.sch.uk).

Yours sincerely

Miss I Stannard  
**Trip Leader**