



May 2025

Dear Parents

## YEAR 8 ACTIVITIES CAMP, LONGRIDGE, MARLOW, 3-4 JULY 2025

I am writing to give you final details of the Year 8 Camp and a recommended kit list.

The students will get wet and so they will need spare dry clothing and, most importantly, dry footwear for the evening activities. The recommended kit list is as follows:

- Sleeping bag/pillow
- Personal toiletries
- Towel
- Packed lunch for Thursday
- Bowl, cup, knife, fork and spoon
- **Sun hat and sun cream** (the area is very open and we will be outside all day)
- Old clothes for the water activities
- Old trainers/plimsolls for water activities (**not** your best trainers that cost a fortune - they **will** get ruined)
- Warm clothes for the evening
- Dry shoes for evening activities
- Waterproof jacket/trousers
- Torch
- Set of dry, clean clothes for return journey
- **Plastic bags to bring wet clothing/shoes home**
- Optional: Wetsuit **PLEASE DO NOT BUY, only bring if you already have one**

Students will be allowed to come to school in the clothes that they are likely to wear for the water activities. Please make sure all bags, clothing and other belongings are clearly named, and put spare clothing and other items into a rucksack or small bag. Please do not use a hard suitcase. **Students will not be permitted to bring their mobile phones to camp.**

Many students have volunteered to bring their own tent to share with their friends. If they have organised this with their form tutor, please send the tent to school by Friday 20 June. Students should show it to their form tutor and then give it to Mr Mac in the PE department. **All tents must be labelled with the student's name and form.** Please make sure the tent is complete and that students can erect and pack the tent away successfully. It is advisable that students who are staying in the tent have a practice where possible. Tents will be pitched in form groups, with form tutors' tents nearby.

Students will be split into 12 groups for the day-time activities, which will be run by Longridge staff and supervised by school staff. During the evening and overnight, there will be a full complement of school staff on site. A member of staff will be on duty throughout the night to patrol the area and check on the students' safety and behaviour.

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## Emergency Contact Details

Activity Centre: Longridge Activity Centre  
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We will travel by coach to Longridge, leaving school at 8.45am on Thursday morning and arriving back by approximately 6.00pm on Friday. The students will need to be collected from school at this time. **Please would you park in the school car park, keeping School Lane clear of traffic, to make the unloading process easy and safe.**

Please provide a packed lunch for your son/daughter for the Thursday. We will provide a sausage and chips supper (or vegetarian option) on Thursday evening, as well as breakfast and lunch on the Friday. Please do not send energy drinks as they will be confiscated.

In past years the students have made or purchased cakes for the breaks and lunchtime to share as a whole year group. This has proved to be a nice idea and very welcome after all the activities. If you feel that you or your son/daughter could help in this way, it would be very much appreciated.

There will be a briefing session for all students prior to the visit. If you need further details or have any concerns, please contact me at school. **Your son/daughter may have brought home a Parental Consent Form before the half term break; thank you if you have completed and returned this. If your son/daughter was not in school at the end of last week, he/she will bring a consent form home early next week, which must be completed and returned to the finance office as soon as possible and by Friday 6 June at the very latest.**

Finally, please would you check your ParentPay account and ensure that your payments are up to date. Full payment is due by Friday 6 June.

Yours sincerely

**J Maciejewski**  
Camp Leader & Head of Year 8