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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 9 Outdoor Education Course to Bewerley Park, May 2020

As part of the Year 9 PE curriculum at RGS, the department organises a residential outdoor and adventurous experience at Bewerley Park Education Centre, Pateley Bridge every year. Year 9 students have taken part in a week's residential course for many years and it is expected that all Year 9 students will take part in this rich and varied learning experience. All of these courses have been very successful and provide a great educational experience. The programme at Bewerley Park also supports the PSHCEe and Citizenship curriculum within the School. Team work, cooperative learning and group responsibility are all integral elements of the experience.

The centre is administered by North Yorkshire County Council and all tuition is taken by fully qualified staff with qualifications appropriate to the activities concerned and each group will also be accompanied by a member of staff from RGS. This year we have booked our course at Bewerley Park leaving school on **Monday**, **11 May 2020 and returning on Friday**, **15 May 2020**. The coaches will leave school at 9am on the Monday and return to school by 2.30pm on the Friday. The cost of the course will be £345.00. This covers accommodation, food and instruction. Transport will be provided by the school. If there are any problems regarding the financing of this enrichment programme, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Harding as Head of Year 9; hoy9@ripongrammar.com. Any enquiries will be treated in the strictest confidence.

The week's programme will include such activities as rock scrambling/climbing, abseiling, hill walking, orienteering, sailing, canoeing and gorge-walking. All specialist clothing e.g. waterproofs, walking boots, helmets, torches, buoyancy aids etc will be provided by the centre. However, if students possess their own equipment, this may be used.

A parents' information evening will be organised later in the Spring term where our course organiser will give a presentation on the centre and its activities. There will also be an opportunity at the end of the presentation to ask any questions that you may have. We will contact you in the Spring term confirming the date of this presentation.

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We should be grateful to receive a £100 non-returnable deposit by Friday, 6th December, 2019. This should be paid via ParentPay. The remaining balance may be paid as a lump sum or paid in instalments during the Autumn and Spring terms (see below for payment details). Please note that if a pupil chooses to withdraw from the trip, then deposits and subsequent payments will not be refundable. Please make your payments via your ParentPay account. Please note that the final balance needs to be paid by Friday, 3rd April 2020, thank you.

- First instalment, Friday, 31st January 2020 £80
- Second instalment, Friday 28th February 2020 £80
- Third instalment, Friday 3rd April 2020 £85

Yours sincerely

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