

November 2024

Dear parent / carer,

**Re: Blue Peris Year 8 Outdoor Education trip**

Firstly, I hope your child has settled into their second year at Sharnbrook Academy. I am writing to make you aware of an opportunity available for year 8 students in the spring term of 2025.

The Outdoor Education department will be running a week residential trip to Blue Peris Mountain Centre which will take place in the spring term. To give as many students as possible the opportunity, we will be running this over 2 separate weeks: **10<sup>th</sup>- 14<sup>th</sup> March & 17<sup>th</sup>- 21<sup>st</sup> March 2025** with a maximum of **48** places available each week.

This is an excellent opportunity to work and develop independent thinking skills alongside peers in a demanding and adventurous environment. Through such experience I hope that they will become more aware of both their own potential strengths and the benefits to be gained from working in a group in a positive and co-operative way.

Blue Peris Mountain Centre offers a fantastic range of adventurous activities including canoeing, abseiling, rock climbing, sea level traversing, mining, the chance to summit some of Wales' highest peaks and other new and exciting activities. By taking part in full day activities students will be able to develop, build on and apply skills in activities to progress them on from beginner level and provide opportunities for further challenge.

**There will be an information evening on Tuesday 26th November from 6:00-6:30pm via Microsoft teams.** The online presentation will provide further details on the trip and will give you the opportunity to ask any questions you may have. Please make sure you join the meeting by 5.55pm

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

To register your child's interest, please complete the following expression of interest form by **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December, this is live now.**

[Click here to complete the Expression of Interest Form](#)

If after the expression of interest form deadline, we have more students than the number of places available, then we will be randomly allocating students to attend the trip. The remaining students will be placed on a reserve list.

Allocation of places will take place by **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024.**

The full cost will be £340 per student. A non-refundable **deposit of £140** is required to fully secure your child's place by **Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December.** The further payments will need to be made as follows:

- Payment 1: **£100** by Monday 6th January 2025
- Payment 2: **£100** by the Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2025

Payment should be made online via Wisepay and will be open to parents once student places have been confirmed and allocated. Any issues with online payment should be sent [finance@sharnbrook.academy](mailto:finance@sharnbrook.academy). Should you wish to discuss payment methods, including smaller instalments or financial support for this opportunity Please contact Mrs. Laura Watt ([lwatt@sharnbrook.academy](mailto:lwatt@sharnbrook.academy)) to discuss further. Subsidies are provided on a case-by-case basis.

The centre supply all the equipment necessary for the activities and spending money will be minimal (suggested £10). Once places are allocated, the kit lists, and travel details will be emailed to all students attending.

Should you require any further information at this stage, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

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*Information on Blue Peris Mountain centre can be found here:*

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