



March 2019

Dear Parents

Year 7 Outdoor Education Residential – 6-8 November 2019

It is our intention to organise a residential visit to Caythorpe Court, Lincolnshire at the start of the second half of the Autumn Term to help with the transition from primary to secondary school. We aim for all students in Year 7 to be part of this exciting experience where we hope to develop, consolidate and enhance many of the qualities that will help them in their journey at Tadcaster Grammar School.

The transition and team building programme has been specifically developed with the start of a new school year in mind. With the core of the programme being about fresh starts, friendships and new beginnings, the inspiring, challenging and confidence building activities encourage lively interaction and focus on team building in order to accelerate the settling in period and encourage respect for others. By stepping outside their comfort zone, under the watchful eyes of the PGL instructors, your child will discover new strengths and skills. All activity sessions are led by the PGL well-trained, enthusiastic instructors who know exactly how to make the most of the challenges and opportunities each activity present. Each evening there will be an evening entertainment programme to enjoy too, so everyone is kept busy right up until bedtime!

The impressive 65 acres at Caythorpe Court activity centre in the heart of the countryside is just north of Grantham. The beautiful grounds at Caythorpe are packed full of adventures designed to inspire, motivate and challenge students. The accommodation, typically sleeping 3-8, is en-suite. There are plenty of hot and cold food options for the students to choose from and all the meals are freshly cooked at every mealtime. PGL will cater for any dietary requirements your child may have.

We have researched a number of providers and centres and are pleased that this centre can deliver a programme that fulfils our requirements. At the heart of our research was to ensure that the package was at an affordable cost without compromising on the quality of the programme. We are pleased that we can offer the 3 days/2 nights residential visit at **£99.95** which includes the following:

- Return coach travel from school to centre
- All meals whilst at centre
- 2 nights' accommodation in multi-bedded dormitories (en-suite)
- 9 different adventure activities
- Evening activities
- Full insurance including travel, medical and cancellation

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If you wish your son/daughter to participate in this exciting opportunity, please follow this link – <https://goo.gl/forms/pdQW92gmYKycivz52> and answer the question by Friday 22 March 2019 at the latest to allow us to reserve the appropriate number of places. **A £35.00 deposit to secure a place for your child must be paid between Monday 2 September and Wednesday 4 September 2019.** Please go onto Parent Pay and pay the deposit between these dates only. For parents of students who have been advised they are eligible for Pupil Premium, some of the costs will automatically be taken from their Pupil Premium budget with the remaining balance to pay. However, you must still complete the question via the link.

Further information will be provided at the Year 6 Transition Information Evening on Thursday 4 July 2019. However, if you require any additional information prior to this, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Solk – r.solk@tgs.starmat.uk.

Yours sincerely,



Mr R Solk

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