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Dear Parents

We are delighted to inform you that, following the overwhelming success of our first trip to Arete, we are organising a five day residential, educational adventure activity course to centre in Caernafon, Gwynedd, North Wales in October 2022 for the current Year 5 children who will then be in Year 6. We delighted to be partnering with this established venue once again and to offer our robins such an amazing experience.

Arete is one of the outstanding centres for adventurous outdoor activities in the UK. The centre holds the Adventurous Activities Licence (AALA) along with the Learning Outside the Classroom (LOtC) quality mark. Through the use of the Welsh coast and Snowdonia National Park, the centre challenges the children with a range of activities aimed at explain their physical, mental and social skills, from rock climbing to washing plates. Every activity undergoes thorough safety checks and procedures and the centre itself provides secure and controlled residential accommodation.

The trip will take place from **Monday 3rd to Friday 7th October 2022**. The cost for the centre, activities and accommodation will be approximately **£280**. We are currently awaiting confirmation for the cost of the transport and we will confirm the price once we have received this quote.

For those activities which take place wholly or mostly within school time, we ask for "voluntary contributions" to cover the cost. Unfortunately, we have to reserve the right to cancel visits if there are insufficient contributions.

The trip includes return travel by coach, full board, accommodation, insurance and a full programme of activities. If you would like to pay in alternative instalments or think you may have difficulty in finding this amount by the end of September 2022, please contact the school office to make an appointment with Mrs Narraway or Mr Duckett.



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We acknowledge that residential trips can cause financial difficulties and have looked at ways to try to reduce these wherever possible. With this in mind, each class will undertake an enterprise activity aimed at reducing the overall cost of their next residential. For the current Year 5 pupils this will take place on **Sunday 17th October 2021** and will involve the children taking part in a car wash on the Newchurch car park. The event will be run by Mr Duckett and the children, with families, friends and members of the community welcome to come along and bring their cars. The enterprise will run from 1pm – 5pm, weather permitting, and was very successful for the current Year 6 pupils who raised in excess of £300.

We would like all children to take part in this residential trip as it will not only be a wonderful experience, but will provide many opportunities for 'growing up' and taking responsibility which is good preparation for the transition to high school. The adventurous element of the residential also forms part of the PE curriculum.

In the meantime, if you wish to find out more about the ethos of Arete, its courses, supervisory and safety measures, please visit <https://www.aretecentre.co.uk/> in particular the "Parent's Guide" within.

Please **pay £30 deposit on Parent Pay by 11th February 2022**, to secure a place for your child and give your consent to the visit. Further payments can be made at any time to help with managing the cost.

	Date due by
1 st deposit	11/2/2022
2 nd payment	22/4/2022
3 rd payment	10/6/2022
Final balance	8/7/2022

Thank you

Mrs Jayne Narraway
Headteacher



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