

Burnley Road Padiham BB12 8ST

## Dear Parent/Carer

We are pleased to invite Year 7 to a weekend residential trip at Dearne Valley, PGL. This is a brand new PGL site which is opening in 2026. This trip will run from Friday 15<sup>th</sup> May – Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> May 2026. The purpose of the weekend is to promote self-confidence, self-esteem and team work, as well as to develop relationships with peers and form tutors.

There are limited places on this trip therefore it is on a first come, first served basis. Please click on this link <u>reply here</u> to register your child's interest by 24<sup>th</sup> September. Once you have registered your interest the payment item will appear on your ParentPay account to enable you to pay the deposit of £45. Deposit must be paid by Monday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025 to secure your child's place on the trip.

Please follow this link to see the PGL site and activities: School Multi-Activity Trips | PGL Education

A variety of adventure activities have been organised across the weekend, such as abseiling, climbing wall, orienteering, map reading, raft building, canoeing, archery and various other activities. There is also an aquapark and a 'quick jump' activity where you free fall and a giant fan supports you. All meals are provided by Dearne Valley; however, students are welcome to bring snacks, drinks and sweets. There will be a parent/carer meeting, date to be arranged, which will allow you to ask questions and find out a bit more about the trip.

The cost of the trip is £180 per student. If your child wishes to go on the trip, a non-refundable deposit of £45 must be paid via ParentPay before 13<sup>th</sup> October 2025. Further payments will then be required as follows:

£45 by 31<sup>st</sup> January 2026 £45 by 28<sup>th</sup> February 2026 £45 by 31<sup>st</sup> March 2026

This trip will have a percentage of places reserved to be subsidised by the school. These will be to allow children to go whose family would otherwise not be able to afford for them to go. Alternatively, if you wish to split payments down to more manageable amounts and pay more regularly, or over a longer time period, this can also be arranged. Any questions regarding subsidised places or splitting of payments should be directed to Mrs. Hodges, <a href="mailto:rhodges@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk">rhodges@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk</a>

As a school we expect all students to attend school regularly. This means having attendance above 95%. We would like as many students as possible to attend the trip, however we do have a number of students that would not currently meet the criteria above. If your child wishes to attend the trip, they will need to have attendance above 95% for the remaining weeks in college up until the time of the trip. We will obviously consider ongoing medical conditions when applying this criteria.

We also have high expectations of students' behaviour both in and out of school. Should there be any concerning behaviour in the lead up to the trip, it could result in withdrawal from the trip at school's discretion.

We will be using the medical consent form 3B as a basis for contact details and medical conditions. The link to the form will be sent out nearer the time,









If you have any further questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me on <a href="mailto:abates@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk">abates@shuttleworth.lancs.sch.uk</a>

Yours Sincerely,

Miss A Bates

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