

TEP/SM

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Dear Parent/Guardian

Weekend Trips ~ Autumn Term 2016

At Abbotsholme, we pride ourselves on the quantity and range of trips available to pupils, the vast majority of which are not charged for separately, within our all-inclusive fees policy. We believe that Abbotsholmians are prepared well for the challenges of life and are provided with great opportunities to develop strengths and personal interests through our extra-curricular activities.

I am writing to draw your attention to the weekend trips available for pupils next term. There may well be additional trips that are added to this, over time. The attached programme will be published on our website, which we will endeavour to keep up to date with amendments. The definitive source of reference for weekend trips, as for any other school functions, is our school calendar, accessible on the website.

I urge you to encourage your child to take part in our weekend trips programme, to get the most out of the Abbotsholme experience and make every moment matter! It would also be very helpful if you could try to avoid having family commitments on weekends when your child is committed to a trip, for example through participation in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scheme.

These trips will be publicised in advance to the pupils, who will have the opportunity to sign up. This process then generates specific letters about the trip which will be e-mailed to you. If there are trips you identify as being particularly important and fear that your child might be hesitant, wary or forgetful about signing themselves up, please make contact with us directly to express your wishes for your child to take part.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries or feedback about our programme. If you have any specific queries about the trips being offered, please contact the trip organiser or one of the following (please note the colour coding of the trips). Please also feel free to use the mobile telephone number below, if you have any pressing concerns or queries.

- Outdoor weekend trips - david.simpson@abbotsholme.co.uk (Mr Simpson starts on 1 September 2016)
- Round Square trips - joy.holmes@abbotsholme.co.uk
- Sports trips - laura.askew@abbotsholme.co.uk
- Boarding trips and activities - john.potter@abbotsholme.co.uk
- Equestrian activities - sarah.hamilton@abbotsholme.co.uk
- Other weekend trips - tom.palmer@abbotsholme.co.uk

I am sure that your child can look forward to a busy and fruitful Autumn Term at Abbotsholme, in the classroom and beyond.

Yours sincerely

Tom Palmer

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