

21 October 2021

Dear parents and carers,

Weald Challenge 2022

We would like to offer your child an exciting opportunity to take part in the Weald Challenge which will take place between the 4-6 July and the 6-8 July 2022 at Kingswood Activity Centre, Ashford.

It is a 3-day residential trip with the following form groups attending on the dates below:

Group 1:	Monday 4 July to Wednesday 6 July:	8A, 8B, 8C, 8D, 8E
Group 2:	Wednesday 6 July to Friday 8 July:	8F, 8G, 8H, 8I, 8J

The Weald Challenge will test students' ability to work as a team, push them out of their comfort zones and enable them to develop their ability to work through problems. Students will also be encouraged to develop their communication and leadership skills, independence, resilience and ability to work with others. Most importantly though, we hope they will have fun!

Through the course of the trip, students will be able to experience up to four activities each day. Although they will not get to choose their activities, they will get to take part in a range of exciting activities such as:

Abseiling	3G Swing	Problem Solving
Archery	Laser Quest	Raft Building
Climbing	Jacob's Ladder	Leap of Faith
Canoeing	Aeroball	Jungle Vines
Fencing	Orienteering	Zip Wire

The cost for this trip is £270, which includes travel, daytime and evening activities, accommodation and bedding, all meals and a personalised Weald Challenge t-shirt. Further information regarding the t-shirt details will follow.

Travel to and from the venue is included and will involve the following arrangements:

Monday 4 July:

Group 1 to leave the Tonbridge campus at approximately 13:00.

Wednesday 6 July:

Group 2: Form groups 8F and 8G to leave the Tonbridge campus at approximately 12:00 and Form groups 8H, 8I and 8J to leave the Sevenoaks campus at approximately 12:00.

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Group 1 will return to the Tonbridge campus at approximately 15:30.

Friday 8 July:

Group 2: Form groups 8F and 8G return to the Tonbridge campus at approximately 15:00.
Form groups 8H, 8I and 8J return to the Sevenoaks campus at approximately 15:00.

Further information including a full schedule, detailed transport, items that students need to take and accommodation arrangements will be provided in an information evening in the spring term. You will also have the opportunity to ask any questions regarding the trip.

We would like all Year 8 students to participate in the Weald Challenge as it has proven to be exceptionally rewarding in previous years. If you would like your child to take part, please pay a holding deposit of £60 on ParentPay by Friday 12 November 2021. We would then ask for three further payments of £70 as follows:

- 7 January 2022
- 7 March 2022
- 18 April 2022

All payments should be paid electronically at www.parentpay.com. If you experience any difficulty accessing your ParentPay account, please contact the Finance Department at financequeries@wealdgs.org. A student will not be excluded from this trip, if, due to financial hardship, parents or carers are unable to contribute. If this is applicable please contact the Finance Department at financequeries@wealdgs.org.

Please complete all of the relevant forms on ParentPay, to include consent for your child to take part, medical information and dietary requirements.

I hope your child will be able to take part in this exciting adventure, enabling them to create new experiences that build character and increase their resilience.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs A. Wehrle

Teacher of PE and Extra-Curricular Lead