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Dear Parents

After a very different year, we are really looking forward to the last three days of term and Curriculum Enhancement activities for our students: from trips to Pleasurewood Hills, to first aid training, a mini concert and other exciting activities.

Pleasurewood Hills Trips

Although the final relaxation of national rules is due to come into place on Monday 19 July, following DfE and Norfolk County Council guidance, we have taken the decision to keep some of the measures in place so that the students can stay safe on the trip and enjoy the first weeks of the summer holidays.

We will require your son/daughter to take a lateral flow test on the night before or morning of their trip to Pleasurewood Hills and bring in proof of a negative result before they will be allowed to go on the trip. If you do not have any lateral flow tests from school these can be picked up for free from Boots the chemist. It is still very important with numbers rising at the moment that we do all we can to keep all our students and staff safe.

Alongside a negative lateral flow test, we will expect students to wear face masks (unless exempt) on the coaches to and from Pleasurewood Hills, we will also have hand sanitizer on the coaches for the students to use. Pleasurewood Hills have also provided their own guidance and safety for the park, which the students must follow:

- hand sanitizers will be available throughout the park
- some attractions may have reduced capacity
- social distancing will be maintained
- face masks must be worn in queue lines, in the gift shops and cafés.
- Facilities will be cleaned and disinfected regularly.

The coaches will depart at 8.30am and return to Smithdon for approximately 7pm. Students can either bring a packed lunch or purchase food from the cafés on site. Any medication for travel sickness will need to be taken in the appropriate time scale and if students need to bring anything for the return journey they will need to keep it safe.

Mobile phones will be allowed on the trip but speakers will not. If students wish to listen to music they must use headphones. Please be reminded if students choose to bring mobile phone or iPods, etc on the trip, the school is not liable for any loss of damage to these items and students must take responsibility for these items.

Sensible shoes should be worn, as there is quite a lot of walking as well as standing around waiting for rides. It is also advisable to look at the weather forecast in case a raincoat or sun cream (or both!) is required.

In-school activities

For the last three days of term, as we have some sporting activities taking place we have decided to allow the students to wear PE kit or sporty clothing, but no jeans or dresses etc. Normal rules will apply with regards to make up, jewellery and mobile phones, although students will be able to wear trainers on these days.









If you have any queries with regard to any of the activities please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pike on the following email c.pike@smithdonhigh.org.uk

Yours sincerely

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