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Principal: Mr Andrew Downing

Dear Parent/Carer

**Year 8 Graduation Residential 2019**

I write further to my letter of 18 October 2018 in which I shared details of our Year 8 Graduation residential, including the criteria to graduate and sought expressions of interest. Further to your child's expression of interest and receipt of the £30 deposit, I am delighted to confirm that your child has met the graduation criteria and subsequently their place on the Year 8 Graduation residential to Lea Green has been confirmed. The one night residential will take place Friday, 12 July 2019 to Saturday, 13 July 2019.

We have worked closely with staff at Lea Green Learning and Development Centre to offer students an exciting range of activities while on residential. I enclose with this letter a copy of the itinerary and suggested packing list.

We expect all students to attend the academy on Friday, 12 July at the usual time of 8:15am. They will be directed to a place in school where they should drop off their luggage. Registration will take place before we depart. Students do not need to attend in uniform but should instead dress appropriately for the day's activities and with due consideration for the weather. We strongly advise that much cherished and items of high value such as cameras, electronic games, iPods, MP3 players, jewellery and expensive clothing/shoes are left at home. Neither Lea Green nor the academy can accept liability for the loss, theft or damage of any personal property your child may bring. In addition, mobile phones **must not** be taken on this residential. If a mobile phone is seen or heard, it will be confiscated and must be collected by a parent on our return to the academy.

Students should bring with them any medication they require. Medication, with the exception of inhalers and EpiPens, should be given to the member of staff leading the trip to safely store. All medication must be in-date, labelled, provided in its original container as dispensed by a pharmacist and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage. We will require a completed medication consent form before accepting any medication.

We expect to return to the academy at approximately 4pm on Saturday, 13 July but ask you check the academy's Twitter feed (@OutwoodCity) for live updates. Students will be responsible for arranging suitable travel home from the academy, following the trip.

In accordance with academy policy this trip will have been fully risk assessed including a pre-inspection of all the places we will visit. The academy reserves the right to withdraw the trip at any stage.

Should you have any questions about the residential or require further details about Lea Green or the exciting range of activities, please contact me at the academy on the above contact details. In the meantime if you wish to find out more about the ethos of Lea Green, their programmes and safety information, please visit <https://leagreen.derbyshire-outdoors.org>.

Yours faithfully

Mr Scott Morton  
**Assistant Principal**

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## Year 8 Graduation Residential 2019



**Lea Green**  
Learning and Development Centre

### A Welcome From Staff at Lea Green

Hello!

We are really looking forward to your visit to Lea Green. Whether you are climbing over the challenge course, putting on a harness and helmet for the ropes courses or exploring the grounds around the house you are guaranteed to find out that learning can be fun!

Aims:

- To develop confidence in ourselves and in others around us;
- To learn to manage risk;
- Try everything to the best of our ability;
- To learn to work well together in a team; listening and supporting all team members;
- To learn that success and achievement is gained through trying new things and persevering.

Your stay at Lea Green will give you a chance to experience and enjoy a wide range of activities; to learn more about staying safe and managing risk; and make a positive contribution to your group.

To get the most out of your stay you need to put a lot into it. Bring your sense of adventure with you!

### Itinerary

	Morning	12:30	Afternoon		16:30 – 17:30	6pm	Evening	10pm
<b>Friday,</b> 12 July	Arrive 10am	LUNCH	Problem Solving and Low Ropes	DRINK	Move into bedrooms/tents	DINNER	Wide Game	SUPPER DRINK – LIGHTS OUT
	High Ropes or Skyline/Team Swing		Bushcraft					
Problem Solving and Low Ropes	High Ropes or Skyline/Team Swing							
Bushcraft								
<b>Saturday,</b> 13 July	Bushcraft		Earthballs and Parachutes					
	High Ropes or Skyline/Team Swing		Pack & tidy bedrooms/tents					
	Problem Solving and Low Ropes		Depart 3pm					

## Suggested Packing List

All items must be clearly marked with your child's name.

- Waterproof coat \*
- Warm coat/jacket for activities
- Hat
- Sun cream
- Water bottle
- Wellingtons \* or walking boots
- Very, very old outdoor shoes
- Old clothes that will get muddy
- Sports kit and trainers
- Large plastic bag for dirty clothes and shoes
- Rucksack
- Torch (optional)
- Toiletry bag containing: toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, hairbrush etc.
- Bath towel
- Underwear and socks
- T-shirts
- Trousers/tracksuit bottoms
- Jumpers
- Indoor shoes (trainers/plimsolls)
- Slippers (optional)
- Pyjamas/night clothes
- Casual clothes for the evening
- Medication (with the exception of inhalers and EpiPens, should be given to the member of staff leading the trip to safely store. All medication must be in-date, labelled, provided in its original container as dispensed by a pharmacist and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage, and accompanied by a completed medication consent form, where one hasn't previously been completed)

\* Lea Green has a limited supply that you may borrow

We suggest that students bring no more than £10 to purchase snacks, drinks, postcards, souvenirs, games or mementos from the centre's shop.

**Please DO NOT bring** mobile phones, expensive cameras, electronic games, iPods or MP3 players, expensive or much cherished jewellery, expensive favourite clothing or shoes. Neither Lea Green nor the academy can accept liability for the loss, theft or damage of any personal property your child may bring.