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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Re: Y6 Residential Trip to Duke's Barn, Beeley, Chatsworth Estate, Derbyshire

We are pleased to inform you that we have arranged an exciting residential trip for our students to **Duke's Barn, Beeley, Chatsworth Estate, Derbyshire**, from **Monday 28th June to Wednesday 30th June 2027**. Trips like this one are incredibly valuable to children. All of our activities will be held at stunning Peak District locations and led by experienced instructors who are highly skilled in their roles, ensuring the children receive the best experiences possible. We have planned many residential in the past (Mr Davey has led several trips to Duke's Barn in the past) and have included a wide range of opportunities for the children. Full details to follow, but expect water activities, climbing / abseiling on real rock faces, hiking, orienteering, campfires...and more!

Our booking at Duke's Barn is on a **full-board basis**, meaning all meals will be provided and includes:

- **Bed and breakfast**
- **Packed lunch** for daytime activities
- **Two-course evening meal**

Further information can be found at www.dukesbarn.org

To secure your child's place on this trip, which will cost **no more than £260 (the final figure will be confirmed as soon as all activities are booked)**, we kindly ask for a **deposit of £50 to be paid via Arbor by Monday 30th November, which can be made in one payment or instalments**. This deposit is non-refundable, except where the school is able to recover the cost from the venue or another family takes the place and all associated costs are covered.

The full balance must be paid by Friday 30th April 2027. If you are worried about how to pay for this trip, please do not hesitate to discuss this with us in confidence.

While this is an amazing opportunity that we know the children will enjoy, we recognise that parents and children can have some concerns over residential trips; therefore, we will hold an **information evening in the spring term**, where we will provide more details and answer any questions you may have. We will cover all the basics about the trip such as food, activities and clothing but, to ensure we tailor the meeting to your exact requirements, we have enclosed a **'Confidential Questions and Concerns' sheet** for you and your child to complete and return to school if you wish. Once returned, we will identify the common concerns that can be addressed within the meeting, and the confidential concerns that require a 1:1 meeting with yourself to plan how we will support your child to ensure they can access and enjoy the trip with complete confidence. Please return the attached commitment to pay along with any questions and concerns you have by Monday 30th November. We will share the meeting date once confirmed and contact parents for 1:1 discussions asap.

At SJS, we have consistently high expectations for the behaviour of our pupils and how they represent our Take Care school. If the behaviour of any pupils falls below these standards, they will not be permitted to attend the trip and refunds are not possible. If you wish to discuss implementing a behaviour support plan to set targets and strategies together, we would wholeheartedly welcome this as we want ALL children to access and enjoy this wonderful opportunity.

Yours sincerely, Mrs Mee and the Year 6 teaching team (Mr Davey, Mrs Swannell and Mrs Grant)

Year 6 Duke's Barn Residential – Monday 28th – Wednesday 30th June 2027

My childwill be joining the Duke's Barn residential in and I agree to have paid the **£50 deposit by 30th November** and the **full amount (TBC – approximately £260) by Friday 30th April 2027**.

Signed _____ Date _____

Please tick if you would like to work together on a **Behaviour Support Plan** for your child ☐

Please list the **general questions** and concerns you would like covered in the **meeting**:

Please list the **confidential questions** and concerns that you wish to **discuss 1:1** with us:

Please return this in an envelope FAO your child's class teacher by Monday 30th November