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Dear Parent,

### **This week:**

We had lots of nominations for the kindness wall this week, which is lovely. House points are building steadily now and all Houses are competing well. Period grades will be with you soon and pupils have been going through their scores with their tutors, appreciating where they are doing well and recognising where they need to make improvements. For me, the most important thing is the effort grade.



On Monday the U13A netball team visited the Marches School for the North Shropshire Schools' Tournament. Poppy Sutton and Morgan Garratt captained the team to become North Shropshire Schools' Champions. The girls won every match, convincingly. Miss Davies and Mrs Dilks were very proud of the girls' performance and how they conducted themselves. I am very proud of them too; a great achievement!

### **Next week:**

Monday 16 <sup>th</sup> October	3.00pm - 7.00pm Year 3-5 Parents' Meeting - top floor Lower School.
Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> October	12.30pm - 1.30pm Pizza and Prayer - optional - pupils to talk to Rev. Gration if interested.
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> October	Gulwali Passarlay – guest speaker, Year 8 Geography. Cricket - Indoor KS3 Boys Game 1 - P v H lunchtime. Football - U9A, U9B v Birchfield - away U11A, U11B v Oswestry - home.

### **Reminders:**

Mrs Pritt-Roberts has sent parents a letter regarding safeguarding. With this in mind I have attached two links from previous weeks for you to have a look at when you have a chance. The world is very different now and unfortunately children can find themselves in situations they wouldn't be in if they weren't using social media that isn't age appropriate.

<https://www.ellesmere.com/the-schools/all/college-policy-documents/safeguarding-on-line-e-safety/>

<https://www.common sense media.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-snapchat>

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## Dates for the diary:

- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> October 4.30pm (Change of date from that in calendar) Musical Tea in Lower School – pupils who learn an instrument or have voice lessons will let parents know if they are taking part. Refreshments will be served in the downstairs hall.
- Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October Expeditions start with Year 7 travelling to PGL on the Wednesday and returning on the Friday. For all other Year groups in Lower School, expeditions will finish on the Thursday with Friday 27<sup>th</sup> being a normal School day.

## Expeditions:

Lower School will be going on expeditions from Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> October. This will hopefully be an enjoyable experience for all. Please see the grid below for information about where your child will be visiting and what sort of clothing to wear. Pocket money is allowed but must remain the responsibility of the child throughout the trip. A small bag that can be carried on their back, like a school bag, is needed as we will be providing lunch that they will have to carry. A water bottle will be required and pupils may bring extra snacks if they wish. It might also be a good idea for them to have their own small hand sanitiser so they can use it as they need to. Students are not permitted to take mobile devices of any type on the trips with them. Any mobile phones brought into school will be locked away in lockers before we go and available for their return journey home as usual. If your child uses an asthma inhaler, please send one in with them clearly labelled with their name on the morning of the trips. If you have any queries, please contact the Lower School secretary.

Yours sincerely,

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October 2023	DAY 1 24/10/23	DAY 2 25/10/23	DAY 3 26/10/23	27/10/23
ASH Class	<b>Cadbury's World (Rainforests Experience)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Day sack / small Rucksack Water bottle	<b>Preston Montford (Science-Rocks and Soils) &amp; Art Experience</b>  Trainers Warm & Comfortable clothes Waterproof Jacket Waterproof Trousers Wellies in a bag Day sack / small Rucksack Water Bottle	<b>Drama Activity Day/ Discovering Ancient Greece workshop</b>  Trainers Own clothes Water bottle	<b>Normal School Day</b>  Uniform
OAK & ELM	<b>Cadbury's World (Rainforests Experience)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Day sack / small Rucksack Water bottle	<b>Enginuity (Power Buggies Workshop)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Day sack / small Rucksack Water bottle	<b>Drama Activity Day/ Discovering Ancient Greece workshop</b>  Trainers Own clothes Water bottle	<b>Normal School Day</b>  Uniform
Year 6	<b>Cadbury's World (Victorian Experience)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Water bottle Day sack / small Rucksack	<b>Shrewsbury Museums Collection Centre Ludlow – Life with Linnaeus (Science/classification)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Day sack / small Rucksack Water bottle	<b>Drama Activity Day/ Discovering Ancient Greece workshop</b>  Trainers Own clothes Water bottle	<b>Normal School Day</b>  Uniform
Year 7	<b>STEM Day Top Floor Lower School</b>  <b>School Tracksuit</b> Trainers Water Bottle Pencil Case	<b>PGL</b>  Wear clothes that you are happy to get muddy in, to come to school. We will be doing activities immediately that we arrive. Water bottle & small rucksack  Rucksack / bag with all kit on the kit list (Spare lists outside the Lower School Office)	<b>PGL</b> Return 27/10/23	<b>PGL</b> <b>Return in the afternoon</b> <b>Top Floor Activities</b>
Year 8	<b>Black Country Museum (Industrial Revolution Tours)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Water bottle Day sack / small Rucksack	<b>Bushcraft Day in College</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Waterproof Trousers Water bottle	<b>Thinktank, Birmingham (Energy &amp; Explore Your Universe)</b>  Trainers Own clothes Waterproof Jacket Water bottle Day sack / small Rucksack	<b>Normal School Day</b>  Uniform



## What to bring

*Please ensure that all items are named.*

### CLOTHING

Clothes are likely to suffer wear and tear and also get dirty and/or wet therefore you should bring several changes of old clothes for doing activities.



T-shirts

*Your arms will need to be covered to do some activities.*

#### **Tops & jackets**

- Long sleeved shirt/T-shirts
- Waterproof jacket
- Fleeces/jumpers

#### **Trousers or leggings**

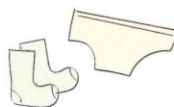
but not jeans as they get heavy and cold when wet



#### **Underwear & socks**

*Your socks will need to cover your ankles to do some activities.*

#### **1 or 2 sets of clothes for the evening**



#### **Suitable nightwear**

### TRAVELLING IN THE...



#### ...SUMMER?

- Shorts
- Baseball cap/sun hat
- Sunscreen



#### ...WINTER?

- Warm coat
- Hat and gloves

### Lost property

We recommend you write a list of what you pack to check before you come home. If you do leave anything behind, please contact your party leader who will contact PGL. Postage will be charged for returning lost items.

### Study courses and sports weekends

Groups taking part in study courses and sports weekends e.g. netball/football, should bring appropriate clothing/footwear for these activities.

### FOOTWEAR

**2 pairs** of trainers

1 for activities  
1 old pair for watersports

**1 pair of dry shoes** for evening activities



### OTHER ITEMS

**2 towels**

1 for showering  
1 old one for activities

Reusable **drinks bottle**



Small **rucksack/bag**

Labelled **bin bag** for wet and dirty clothing



**Sleeping bag or duvet** and pillow (unless otherwise advised)

**Washbag** including soap, shampoo, toothbrush and toothpaste (please do not bring Aerosols)

### PLEASE DO NOT BRING

- Electrical devices
- Computer games
- Jewellery/valuables
- Aerosols

If you bring your **mobile phone**, please note, it is not covered by our insurance.



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