

# KEELBY PRIMARY ACADEMY

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*to parents of children in Y4 class*

Dear Parent,

## **PGL VISIT: 16<sup>th</sup> – 20th September, 2019**

As you are aware our older pupils have a five day residential visit to PGL at Caythorpe (nr Grantham). We have been there several times now and we are very impressed with the facilities which are available.

We have booked the above dates for when your child will be in Y6. We appreciate this is some time ahead but we need to send in as many deposits as we can to secure our booking.

We will hold an Information Evening after this year's visit has taken place i.e. early October, but if you would like to visit their website there will be lots more information available: [www.pgl.co.uk/caythorpe](http://www.pgl.co.uk/caythorpe).

### **THE TRIP**

It is a time when the children meet challenges of many kinds and face them with the support of the other children, the teachers and adults from Keelby and the *groupies and instructors* employed by PGL. They learn a lot about themselves and their friends and take huge steps forward in their personal development in the few days we are there. The challenge of being away from home and being truly independent is for many the biggest of all. It is, I think, excellent preparation for the responsibilities they will have to take on when they transfer to secondary school. The staff also have the opportunity to get to know the children better.

The group will stay in accommodation blocks (separate areas for boys and girls). The rooms are carpeted with underfloor heating and contain two or three double bunks with toilet and shower and sink. The staff have similar rooms in the same area. The quality of supervision and instruction given by the PGL staff is excellent. The teachers and adults from Keelby are always with the group to offer support and encouragement.

There are twelve main activity sessions of about one and a half hours with lots of games and other activities in the evenings. Our main activities are usually kayak canoes, high ropes, zip-wire, giant swing, abseiling, rifle-shooting and fencing.

You can be sure that your child will have a wonderful time. Safety is a very high priority at PGL. **We will send out more details and information about what your child will need to take with them at the end of the summer term next year.** They will need quite a few changes of clothes so could I suggest that you hang on to old play clothes - trainers, and tracksuit bottoms in particular.

## **PAYMENT**

If you are happy for your child to go can you please **pay £45.00 non-refundable deposit via your account on ParentPay by 16th July**. We will be putting £45.00 against each pupil's account in the first instance. If you have any immediate concerns about the visit which will prevent you paying the deposit, please contact me.

The cost per pupil will be approximately £320.00 which includes transport cost and the cost for the course. There is a discounted amount for twins and there maybe some help available for those who are entitled to Pupil Premium Funding, or who have been in the past.

We will confirm the exact amount early in the Autumn Term. We like to start the payments early so you can spread the cost over the year. We will give you suggested deadlines to meet although you are quite welcome to pay any amount at any time and you can also pay the full amount at any time.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Cowling