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Dear Parents / Carers

We are looking forward to working with your children over the next couple of months as we prepare for their transition to Edgbarrow School in September.

With this in mind, we would like to offer our new students the exciting opportunity to take part in a residential trip to The Pioneer Centre, Kidderminster, Shropshire from Monday 10th October to Wednesday 12th October. This is an activity centre which allows students to experience the outdoors whilst developing their skills of communication, resilience and confidence. It is a fantastic opportunity for the students to build new friendships and work together as a team. The accommodation is in lodges within the grounds of the centre.

We understand your child may be anxious about being with others from different schools but experience shows us that students quickly make new friends in the first few weeks of school and we are confident that this trip will allow them to bond both as tutor groups and as a year group and play an invaluable role in their settling with us.

The Pioneer Centre offers a range of activities such as Abseiling, Climbing, Fencing, Orienteering, Kayaking, Raft building, Team Challenges and Archery and Year 7 will have a programme that includes a number of these as well as the important Disco! Through these activities, students will further develop the skills of communication, leadership, teamwork and problem solving and this will lead to their improved confidence and self-esteem.

The cost of the trip will be approximately £220. If you would like your child to participate, would you please **pay an initial non-refundable deposit of £100 by 15th July 2022**. Once final numbers are confirmed, we will write to you and confirm the final amount and date that this will be due.

Details of how to access our online payment system will be sent to you by a separate letter. If you prefer to pay by cheque, please would you make the cheque payable to Edgbarrow School and write your child's name and 'Year 7 residential trip' on the back.

We are keen for all students to be able to participate in the trip and do not wish for any child to be disadvantaged due to financial hardship. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding the payment for this trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pyke, Business Manager, email: Carolyn.Pyke@edgbarrowschool.co.uk who will be happy to help you. All

information will be treated in the strictest confidence. As you will understand without the appropriate financial contributions the visit may not take place.

I look forward to working with you all as your children begin their career at Edgbarrow school.

Yours faithfully



Mrs L Rea-Palmer
Assistant Headteacher
Year 6/7 Transition Lead

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REPLY SLIP: Year 7 Trip to Shropshire
Please return to School Office
Email: Finance@edgbarrowschool.co.uk

Name of student

I do wish my son/daughter to participate in the Year 7 residential trip

Payment made online*

Cash

Cheque

Signed Date
(Parent/Carer)

Cheques should be made payable to Edgbarrow School with “*Year 7 residential trip*” and your child’s name written on the reverse

*Please do not return this reply slip until payment has been made online