



20th June 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

ACTIVITIES WEEK 2022 - YEAR 8 (Monday 4th to Friday 8th July 2022)

This letter follows our previous letter dated 20th May 2022.

Thank you to the vast majority of parents who have now paid for the Activities Week package. There are still a relatively small number of parents have still not paid. To secure a place on the trips/activities it is essential that **full payment of £90.00 is received on ParentPay by Thursday 23 June at the latest**. If you receive Pupil Premium funding, this will be reflected in the trip cost on ParentPay. If payment is not received by this date your son / daughter will not be able to attend the school trips and will therefore be required to attend school for alternative on-site activities (which we are planning for accordingly).

As a reminder, the week is a 'package' and we would expect students to attend all trips and activities. For all payments received it is assumed that your son/daughter **will be attending both trips** (The Big Pit and Thorpe Park).

If, in an exceptional circumstance, there is a reason why you do not wish your son/ daughter to attend one of the trips, please use the school's online contact form (<https://www.gordanoschool.org.uk/contact-us/contact-forms>) to inform us of this. Please select the 'Extra-Curricular and Trips' form and select 'Activities Week' from the drop down menu. For anyone not attending a trip, they will be required to attend alternative on-site activities.

The timetable for the week is at the end of this letter and includes the following activities:

Thorpe Park Trip

Meet 07:30 in Coach Park, Return c. 19:00

All students will have the opportunity to go to Thorpe Park for a day of fun including rollercoasters, themed rides and water rapids.

The Big Pit Trip

Register in the 'Start of Day Assembly' (details to follow), Return c. 15:30

There will also be a visit to The Big Pit National Coal Museum in Pontypool, where students can experience multi-media tours, exhibitions and of course the famous underground tour.

In-School/Give-Back Activities, including Adventure Bristol

Normal school hours, register in 'Start of Day Assembly' (details to follow)

The remaining days will involve a range of in-school/give-back activities. Adventure Bristol will be bringing some exciting activities to the school, including a climbing wall, archery, laser tag and bubble football, and other activities will be led largely by Gordano staff.

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All students will need to bring a packed lunch/snacks for the Thorpe Park and Big Pit trips. For the in-school activities, Adventure Bristol and Give Back Days students may bring a packed lunch or purchase something from the school Dining Hall.

Students do not need to wear school uniform on any day during Activities Week but should dress appropriately for the activities and weather conditions for each day.

We wish your son/daughter an enjoyable week!

Kind regards,

Activities Week Team

Activities Week 2022 - Year 8 Programme

| Tutor Group | Mon 4 Jul | Tues 5 Jul | Wed 6 Jul | Thu 7 Jul | Fri 8 Jul |
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| 8B1 | Thorpe Park | Big Pit | Adventure Bristol | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8B2 | Thorpe Park | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8C1 | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8C2 | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8F1 | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park | Big Pit |
| 8F2 | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Thorpe Park | Big Pit |
| 8L1 | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8L2 | Big Pit | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities |
| 8P1 | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park |
| 8P2 | Big Pit | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | Thorpe Park |
| 8S1 | In-School / Give-Back Activities | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Adventure Bristol | Big Pit | Thorpe Park |
| 8S2 | Adventure Bristol | In-School / Give-Back Activities | Big Pit | Thorpe Park | In-School / Give-Back Activities |