



5<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

### **ACTIVITIES WEEK 2022 - YEAR 7**

Proposed arrangements for Year 7 for Activities Week are as follows:

#### **Residential to Wales - 2 nights / 3 days**

The vast majority of Year 7 students will be attending the residential to Wales. You have already received information about this and will be aware of the dates of your child's trip.

More information will follow separately about this trip.

#### **Trip to Bristol Zoo**

All year 7 students will be going to Bristol Zoo on the week beginning Monday 4<sup>th</sup> July as part of their Activities Week programme. This letter is to confirm the arrangements for that day.

Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> July	7F1 7F2 7L3
Tuesday 5 <sup>th</sup> July	7P1 7P2 7S1 7S2 7S3
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> July	7B1, 7B2, 7C1
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> July	7C2 7L1 7L2

Bristol Zoo is closing forever in September 2022 so this is one of the last opportunities to visit this iconic scientific and educational establishment. It is going to be a full day, visiting all of the areas of interest.

Students will need to be at school by 8:45am and make their way to the Science labs where they will be registered and taken down to the coaches. We will leave the zoo by 2:30pm and arrive back at Gordano around 3.15pm.

This is an educational visit and is very much part of their science lessons this year. We will talk about this trip before we go in Science lessons and afterwards in follow up lessons. There will be work to do in a special booklet, so they should bring a pen and a pencil with them. The work is marked by Science teachers and the scores are entered into the House Challenge Trophy, with the highest scores for effort and completion.

Students should bring a packed lunch. Food can be purchased at the zoo but it tends to be very expensive. It is suggested they bring a cagoule/waterproofs/sun cream due to the changeable weather and the openness of the area.

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The zoo is a public place with other schools visiting on the same day. Gordano students will therefore be expected to wear their full school uniform (no trainers etc.) so they can be clearly identified by staff. We trust students to behave and show anyone else at the zoo how great Gordano students are.

The visit will be led by Mr Stokes, Head of Science.

For this day we are asking parents to make a contribution of £16 to cover zoo tickets and coach travel. To confirm your child's attendance on this trip, please log on to ParentPay to give your parental consent and to make payment. If you wish to request financial assistance please complete this form:

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=wwKbEeKstEKPNgL1svSOdDuyv uXW7R5Co7hjpMtF9ORUMVZYMjlaSDVUSlVBWDNOOTE5SzYxQlEzVC4u>

Please ensure payment is made or forms submitted by **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> May**.

### **'Give Back' Day**

All students will be involved in a 'Give Back' day activity on one day of the week. This will be run by Gordano staff, either on site or in the local community, contributing to the community in some way. More information will follow about this day in due course.

### **In School Activities**

For those that have an additional day in the week (due to the residential visit including one day at the weekend) or for those students not attending the residential visit, the remaining sessions will involve a range of 'in-school activities', led largely by Gordano staff.

Further information will be shared over coming weeks, so please do wait for the information to follow. However, should you have any particular queries please use the online contact form and select 'Extra-Curricular and Trips'.

Kind regards

Activities Week Team