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6<sup>th</sup> September 2016

Dear Parents

I am writing to give you details of the forthcoming Junior Year activity visit to the Horstead Activity Centre near Norwich, which will take place **from Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> to Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2016**. I have also attached a suggested kit list and two forms for you to complete. One is Trinity's standard consent form and the other is required by the Horstead Centre. I would be grateful if you could return these to your son's form tutor by Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September. May I emphasise that this list of kit simply provides a guideline and there should certainly be no need to purchase any items especially for this visit.

We shall leave Trinity at **0730 which is half an hour earlier than the time printed in the School diary**, on Wednesday September 21<sup>st</sup> and boys should arrive at school slightly earlier in order to register at 0715. They should come to school dressed in their clothes for the journey and not in school uniform. They will need a packed lunch for that day but all subsequent meals are provided by the Horstead Centre. We shall leave Horstead at 1200 on Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup> and should arrive back at Trinity at approximately 1630. If there is any delay during the return journey, we will relay this to staff at School who can let you know, if you are waiting in the car park.

The programme at the Horstead Centre will consist of a rota of activities including climbing, a crate-stacking and high ropes challenge, open-canoeing and team building exercises, and raft building. The centre also has a large outdoor play area and a variety of indoor games such as table tennis, table football, pool and board games.

Some of the aims of the weekend will be to encourage independence, organisation, new friendships and *esprit de corps* amongst the boys. Because of this, we shall be discouraging the boys from phoning home and mobile phones should not be brought along. Staff will be equipped with mobile phones should the boys need to ring home. Electronic games and personal stereos/MP3 players should also not be brought as friendships and group dynamics are much more easily encouraged and developed through chat, games and interactive play; we would also like to ensure that the art of conversation remains alive and well! We will stop at a service station on the journey for a rest break and boys may wish to bring a small amount of pocket money to spend on a light snack, but there will be no other opportunities to spend money or any requirement to bring other money on the trip.

The full address of the centre is: **The Horstead Centre, Rectory Road, Norwich, Norfolk, NR12 7EP. Telephone (*in emergencies only*): 01603 737215. I will contact you nearer the time with the numbers of the school's mobile phones which Trinity School staff will have on the trip.**

We are greatly looking forward to the activity weekend and I am sure that your son will find it an enjoyable and valuable experience. Please contact me at Trinity should you require any further details.

Yours sincerely

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