



23rd September 2016

Dear Parent

**Sailing Trip to Poole Harbour  
Monday 28<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017**

This year we have the opportunity to take boys in the Upper School sailing at Rockley Point in Poole Harbour. We have run this trip with Lower School students for several years and have regularly been impressed by the facilities and instruction offered by Rockley Watersports.

Rockley Point is in the beautiful setting of Poole Harbour, Britain's largest natural harbour. We will be sailing in some of the UK's safest and most idyllic sailing waters, perhaps visiting Brownsea Island, where Baden Powell established the first Scout camp. The purpose-built accommodation consists of rooms with bunk beds on the edge of an established caravan park. The centre has a number of Hartleys and Toppers as well as several catamarans. Further information can be found on the centre's website: <http://www.rockleyadventure.com>.

The course will offer sailing for beginners, although it is likely that the majority of students will have some sailing experience. Those who already sail will be given a more advanced training week, while those with no prior experience will be introduced to dinghy sailing, and should gain basic qualifications by the end of the week. All the instructors are fully R.Y.A. qualified. All students will have the opportunity to gain RYA dinghy sailing levels during the week. In the evening there will be activities organised by both us and the instructors, including a visit to the cinema and bowling alley.

The cost of the trip will be £515. Buoyancy aids and splash jackets are provided, but wetsuits are not. Most of the boys last year brought their own shorty wetsuits, which seemed to be adequate for Poole Harbour in the Summer, and may be purchased for around £25 from online retailers or large sports stores. The cost of the trip includes food and accommodation, travel to and from the centre, log books, cinema and Bowling – the boys may wish to have some money to purchase snacks at the cinema and bowling alley and dinner on the evening out in Poole.

We will leave school early on Monday morning by minibus, arriving in time to check in and sail that afternoon; we return on Friday after a morning's sailing. Further details, and a meeting with a representative from Rockley Watersports, will be organised closer to the departure date.

If you would like your son to participate in this sailing trip, please complete the form below and pay a non-refundable £100 deposit by 7<sup>th</sup> October. Subsequent payments of £200 and £215 will be due on 2<sup>nd</sup> December and 17<sup>th</sup> February. Places will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis. If your son/daughter withdraws from the trip all non-recoverable monies will be due. All payments should be made using Wisepay, the School's online payment system. The link to Wisepay can be found on the parents' page of the School's website - once logged in, select the 'Trips and Visits' button and follow the link to the 'Junior Sailing Trip' page. Places will be allocated on a first-come first-served basis.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any concerns or queries about the trip.

Yours sincerely

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I would like my son/daughter to go on the sailing course during the summer holidays.

**Son's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Form** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**Experience (Please Circle)**                      Experienced                      Improver                      Beginner

**Any Qualifications** \_\_\_\_\_

**Does your son have a RYA log Book**                      Yes                      No

**Swimming Ability**                      Strong Swimmer                      Water Confident                      Weak Swimmer

**Dietary Requirements** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary Preferences** \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical Conditions** \_\_\_\_\_

**Any Regular Medication** \_\_\_\_\_

**Any medication held by the school**                      EpiPen                      Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to Mr Brennan and pay the £100 deposit via Wisepay by **7<sup>th</sup> October 2016**