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Dear Parents/Carers

Proposed Residential Trips 2022-2023

I am delighted to share with you the School's plan for residential trips for this academic year. This will be complemented with day trips not outlined in this letter. It is exciting that we can now start to widen our BFS opportunities after such a long time of being unable to offer residential trips. However, the current economic climate has resulted in the cost of coach travel, foreign travel and accommodation increasing from pre-pandemic levels. I am very conscious that many families will be facing increasing living costs too. Therefore, the number of expensive residential trips on offer this year has been reduced.

Our aim is to provide several enriching opportunities across all the year groups. The scheduling of these trips has been planned to allow time for sensible saving plans so families can decide which trips are best suited to their child/children.

If your child has free school meals, or your child qualifies for the school to receive Pupil Premium funding, you can apply for a contribution towards the total cost of the trip. Details of how this is accessed will be explained in each trip letter.

We are excited to offer the Year 8 residential camping trip, which we want all Year 8 to attend as part of our BFS promise. Other year group residential trips have been planned around this time to celebrate the end of term and to minimise disruption to the school year.

Year 11 and Year 13 residentials have been kept to a minimum due to the busy exam schedule.

The Ski Trip planned for Easter 2024 is included, as this will be launched this academic year. This will be open to students in current Year 8, current Year 9 and current Year 11 who plan to stay on at BFS Sixth Form.

Please note that trips will only run if we meet the minimum number of students to make them cost-effective. Letters launching each trip will follow.

Thank you for your support.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S King
Headteacher

List of Forthcoming BFS School Residential Trips and Outdoor Pursuits 2022-2023

Year Group	Dates	Dept	Details & Destination	Number of Places	Cost (Approximate or Estimated)
8	12 to 13 July 2023 (2 days/1 night)	Y8 Group 1	Y8 Camp Enrichment/Team Building	102	To be confirmed
8	13 to 14 July 2023 (2 days/1 night)	Y 8 Group 2	Y8 Camp Enrichment/Team Building	103	To be confirmed
9	26 to 27 April 2023 (2 days/1 night)	DofE	Bronze Practice Expedition (Group 1) - Bristol Area	To be confirmed	£225 Bronze Award Fee
9	28 to 29 April 2023 (2 days/1 night)	DofE	Bronze Practice Expedition (Group 2) - Bristol Area	To be confirmed	£225 Bronze Award Fee
9	24 to 25 May 2023 (2 days/1 night)	DofE	Bronze Qualifying Expedition (Group 2) - Bristol Area	To be confirmed	No further payment
9	26 to 27 May 2023 (2 days/1 night)	DofE	Bronze Qualifying Expedition (Group 1) - Bristol Area	To be confirmed	No further payment
9	12 to 15 July 2023 (4 days/3 nights)	History	Y9 WW1 Battlefields Trip Belgium & Northern France	50	c.£430-£560 depending on numbers
10	4 to 6 June 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	DofE	Silver Practice Expedition Brecon Beacons	To be confirmed	c.£330 Silver Award Fee
10	22 to 24 June 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	DofE	Silver Qualifying Expedition Brecon Beacons	To be confirmed	No further payment
10	12 to 14 July 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	Science & MFL	Y10 Science & MFL Trip (and Y12 French students) to Paris including Paris Planetarium, Parc Asterix, French market & restaurant and French heritage and culture (Sacre Coeur)	To be confirmed	c.£375
11	31 October to 1 November 2022 (2 days/1 night)	Art & Photography	Art Trip to Falmouth University/Eden Project	14	c.£30-50 (travel costs only to be confirmed)
12	28 to 29 June 2023 (2 days/1 night)	Biology	Biology Fieldwork at Folly Farm, Nr Bristol	25	c.£150
12	6 to 8 July 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	Science	Science Trip to Geneva with one-day tour of CERN, Switzerland	40	c.£420

12	22 to 24 June 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	DofE	Gold Practice Expedition Brecon Beacons	To be confirmed	Gold Award Fee To be confirmed
12	12 to 14 July 2023 (3 days/2 nights)	MFL	Y12 French Trip (and Y10 Science/MFL Trip) to Paris including Paris Planetarium, Parc Asterix, French market & restaurant and French heritage and culture (Sacre Coeur)	To be confirmed	c.£375
13	10 to 14 October 2022 (5 days/4 nights)	Geography	Field Study Centre Slapton Sands	12	£360
13	15 to 19 October 2022 (5 days/4 nights)	DofE	Gold Qualifying Expedition Brecon Beacons	11	Already paid as part of overall Gold DofE payment
2024 Ski Trip					
Current Year 8, Current Year 9, Current Year 11 (who plan to stay at BFS Sixth Form)	Easter 2024 (9 days/8 nights)	PE	2024 Ski Trip - Enrichment	43	c.£1100