

South Dartmoor Community College

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Dear Parent / Carer

As part of the Cambridge National qualification in Sports Studies, your son / daughter is currently studying a unit aiming to develop their knowledge and skills in outdoor adventurous activities. One of the three learning objectives for this unit requires each student to experience taking part in an outdoor activity in order to deepen their knowledge and develop the skills required for their assessment. To facilitate this experience, the PE department have planned a day trip to Haven Banks Outdoor Education Centre in Exeter where each student will get to take part in caving, climbing and a canoeing activity with an expert outdoor activity instructor.

The trip is scheduled for **Tuesday 19 September 2023**. Students will need to arrive to school in appropriate clothing for the day. I have provided students with a full equipment and clothing list (and uploaded it to their teams channel) which outlines what clothing would be deemed appropriate, as well as a list of other necessities for the day. The PE department has a small amount of spare clothing, so please let me know in advance if you foresee difficulties providing any of the items on the list. Students will be back in school in time to catch their bus home. Packed lunches will be provided for students in receipt of free school meals.

Also attached to this letter is a consent form from Haven Banks. Students without a completed consent form will not be permitted to take part in the trip. For convenience I have also provided your son / daughter with hard copies of this letter and the Haven Banks consent form. We also need you to complete the South Dartmoor Community College consent form, as this is separate from the one that Haven Banks require. Please kindly complete the Haven Banks consent form and send it in to school with your son and daughter by Friday 15 September, along with completing the our consent form on Parent Pay.

This is an essential part of the Cambridge National qualification in Sports Studies and it is vital that your son / daughter is in attendance. They are required to write a session plan for an outdoor activity and evaluate their performance as well. These tasks are not possible without completing the practical element first on Tuesday 19th September.

Finally, we are asking for a voluntary donation of £10 to assist the department in providing this opportunity. Donations can be made on Parent Pay and would be hugely appreciated. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours faithfully

Nathan Cox

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