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Dear Parents/Carers,

Kingswood 1 Night Residential Trip – Wednesday 5th - Thursday 6th February 2025

Following the success of last year's Year 2 overnight stay at Kingswood Residential, we have re-booked for our current Year 2 children to take part in a one-night residential trip to Kingswood in Kennington, Ashford, TN25 4AJ, which is an activity and residential centre (www.kingswood.co.uk).

The aim of the trip is to foster the children's continuing independence, to establish friendships and develop responsibilities, plus give them a taster of an overnight stay, prior to the longer residential in later Years at St. Paul's. Children will be able to take part in activities such as team problem solving, archery, fencing, plus many more activities all with excellent tuition, safety and supervision. The children will also get to experience some activities across their weekend with children across the Federation of our two other schools, who will also be taking part in the weekend away. The children receive a choice of foods, in an extensive buffet and previous children from St. Paul's, have all commented how vast and enjoyable the meals were during their stay!

A residential visit of this kind not only introduces pupils to a variety of activities they might not otherwise have a chance to participate in, but also broadens their social skills and inevitably gives them a level of responsibility, both to themselves, their belongings and to the others attending with them. The accommodation is in small dormitories equipped with bunk beds and showers. The staff attending the trip will be on the same floor as the children and are nice and close to children, should they have any needs day or night. A member of staff will also be awake during the night, to attend to any child that may need them!

Educationally, it is an opportunity for your child to have real, first-hand outdoor activity experiences, in a safe location. It has considerable social benefits, as for some children it is their first taste of staying away from home and is a chance for them to experience living and working together, in a co-operative situation, amongst their peers. **If you do not wish for your child to take part, please do let us know as soon as possible, so that we are able to alter our booking.**

The cost of this trip is **£85**, which includes transport to and from the venue, all activities, accommodation and food. Please pay a **non-refundable £20 deposit via Schoolcomms under the payment 'Y2 Kingswood Residential February 2025', no later than Friday 29th November 2024**. The remaining balance of £65 can be paid in increments, up until the cut-off date of **Friday 31st January 2025**. Please note that all school trips booked, come with the terms and conditions outlined by the company that we are dealing with. This includes any refunds for children that do not attend. If you would like to read the full terms and conditions for this trip, please visit **www.kingswood.co.uk**.

Yours faithfully

Mr Johnson
Head of School