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Dear Parents/ Guardians

Year 7 Camp

As part of the National Curriculum PE programme, your child has the chance to follow a course in Outdoor Education. To carry out this programme, the school has allocated one week in Year 7, which this year will be the week commencing **Monday 19 June 2017**.

To enable all students in the year to be involved, we have decided to base the activities locally, allowing pupils to learn about their own environment and also keeping the cost to a minimum. This will be **£170.00 per student** and will have to be met by a voluntary contribution from parents. We hope that you will support this activity. If we are unable to raise the sum needed, the trip may have to be cancelled. If you are in receipt of Income Support or Family Credit, or if for any reason you would like your child to take part but are unable to make a voluntary contribution, please contact Mrs Ventress, the Business Manager, at cventress@chilternedge.oxon.sch.uk as soon as possible, as assistance cannot be arranged retrospectively.

Please log into the School Gateway at www.schoolgateway.com, where you have the option to either make instalments (listed below) or pay the whole amount of £170.00. You should also indicate here that you give consent to your child participating in the camp. The deadline for giving consent and making the first payment is **Tuesday 28 February 2017**. Should you have any difficulty logging in, please contact Reception. We cannot accept cash or cheques.

Instalment 1 £42.50 by 28/02/17
Instalment 2 £42.50 by 28/03/17
Instalment 3 £42.50 by 24/04/17
Instalment 4 £42.50 by 19/05/17

We also need to know about your son/ daughter's medical history and swimming ability. To this end, please complete the attached forms and return them to Pupil Services by **28 February 2017**.

Dates – Monday 19 June to Friday 23 June 2017.

Venue – EYOT Boat Centre, Henley-On-Thames.



Programme Outline:

Monday – all walk to Henley

Tuesday – Thursday: Science visit to Dinton Pastures
Humanities Department urban study - Dorchester
Boat trip
Orienteering
Camp Challenges
Bell Boating

Friday – all walk back to Chiltern Edge

This camp is a full week and this will also include input from the Humanities and Science departments.

We have a number of school tents available, but do ask as many pupils as possible to bring their own 2, 3, or 4 person tents. PLEASE DO NOT go out and buy one especially for the week. These are taken down to Henley before camp week. Please also note that students' main bags are also transported there and back – they only carry a small day sack with lunch, water and waterproofs.

We realise that the students' experience of equipment will be varied and we have enclosed a kit list to help you get organised for the week.

Please note: should we have any concerns about your child's safety or behaviour on the trip, we reserve the right to withdraw their place, up until the time of departure and at any point during the week. If this occurs, any refund will be at the school's discretion and will be dealt with on an individual basis.

We are sure your child will have an energetic and worthwhile experience, both in learning about the outdoors and, just as importantly, learning to socialise with others. We hope that you will all support this course.

Yours faithfully

Mrs J Evans
Head of PE

