16th June 2023



Dear parent/ carer,

At Tanfield School, the Personal Development of our young people is as important as their academic achievement. We aim to encourage every member of our team to be the best version of themselves, so that they leave us prepared for their adult lives and ready to contribute positively to their world.

We are planning **a residential trip to Ullswater** in the Lake District in partnership with The Outward Bound Trust, for our new Year 7 students who will be joining us in September. This, I'm sure, will be an incredible opportunity and very much welcomed.

Why?

- To strengthen our transition programme from Year 6 to Year 7;
- To develop self confidence and self belief;
- To improve communication and teamwork;
- To improve skills of self-management;
- To make the most of opportunities;
- To have fun and develop friendships;
- To improve problem solving skills;
- To increase resilience;
- To develop employability skills (we all offer more than just our qualifications!).

It is a 4 day, 3 night trip, including activities (TBC) such as:

- Gorge walking
- Canoeing
- Mountain expeditions
- Scrambling
- Campfires
- Raft building
- Orienteering
- Sailing
- Rock climbing
- Abseiling

TANFIELD SCHOOL HEADTEACHER Steven Clough BSc (Hons) NPQH

Tanfield Lea Road, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 8AY enquiries@tanfieldschool.co.uk 01207 232 881

@TanfieldSchool
@TanfieldSchool
www.tanfieldschool.co.uk

The dates of the trip are: Monday 25th March to Thursday 28th March 2024.

The trip is **all inclusive**, with payment covering:

- transport,
- accommodation,
- food (breakfast, lunch and dinner),
- unlimited flapjack (!),
- day and evening activities,
- tuition by qualified instructors,
- all equipment and (weather and season suitable) kit,
- 24-hour pastoral care and
- fully comprehensive insurance.

We have arranged <u>substantial</u> subsidies to make this affordable at **£265** and, once your child joins us in September, they will be set up on Weduc with a payment plan to spread the cost. **Places are limited to 84** and will be allocated fairly should we exceed capacity.

Instalment plan:

- Total cost £265
- Payments to be made via Weduc only
- £40 non refundable deposit due no later than 29th September 2023
- Remaining balance £215 to be paid monthly over 5 more months @ £45.00 per month or in full by the end of February 2024

Should you have any questions or comments, do not hesitate to contact me on <u>cquigley@tanfieldschool.co.uk</u> Equally, we would never want anyone to miss out on the basis of costs, so if you let us know, we will help if we are able to do so.

Kind regards, Dr Catherine Quigley Assistant headteacher: Personal Development