

Dear Parents

Bowles Trip September 2022

Starting secondary school is a significant transition in any child's life and it is with eagerness that I await the opportunity to help the new Year 7s to establish themselves as members of the Lingfield community. Here they will make decisions and form friendships that will shape the rest of their lives. In recent years we have seen a plethora of new opportunities open up to current students, and next year this trend will continue. It is exciting to be a part of this process which will allow your children to grow in every aspect of their lives; I hope your children are similarly excited about starting at Lingfield.

I have organised a team-building trip on **Friday 16th September 2022** to the Bowles Outdoor Centre in Tunbridge Wells. It will give students the opportunity to build on existing friendships, forge new ones with others in the year and get to know their Form Tutors in a different context.

We shall be leaving School at 08:40 on Friday 16th September and returning the same day at 21:30. The trip will involve a variety of outdoor activities, so students will be required to wear appropriate clothing including long trousers, a jumper, sun cream and sensible shoes. Whilst the cost of the trip, £95, includes all meals, and transport students are welcome to bring with them a small amount of money; 50p and £1 coins are particularly useful for the vending machines.

It would be lovely to see as many Year 7s there as possible to create a strong sense of group identity early on in the year, and I am sure it will help students settle in with their new peers. You will shortly be receiving an email through our School Post system enabling you to sign your child up to this trip and complete the relevant trip, health and permission forms. The cost of the trip will be added to your January 2023 bill.

Once again let me state how much we are looking forward to the start of the school year in September. If you have any concerns or queries, please feel free to contact me at hartr@lingfieldcollege.co.uk and I shall get back to you as soon as I can. For those of you who will be bringing your child on Friday 1st July to the Year 7 Induction Day, I look forward to meeting you there.

Yours sincerely

Roger Hart
Head of Year 7