

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2022

Dear parents/ carers,

As the Colomendy trip draws closer, we wanted to share some key information regarding next week's information evening.

We will send a link to the meeting over the next few days, and open this up to Year 8 and 9 parents. We will look over several things including:

- Overview of the stay, including trip activities and how the day will run
- Information about the centre, and the facilities available to students
- Behaviour expectations, for both activities and social time
- Some essential information shared by Colomendy, that we must enforce as a school
- Travel information, including departure and arrival times
- AOB essential to the trip

We will be creating the activity groups now that we have confirmed final numbers, and these will be organised by staff at Lymm High School. There will be no opportunity to move from the activity groups and our decision is final. One of the objectives of the week is to build relationships with peers, and so part of this will come through working with other students beyond friendship groups.

Sleeping arrangements will also be looked at next week. We will be asking students to inform us of friends they wish to be in a dormitory with, and we will group students accordingly with this information. Further guidance about how we will approach this will be shared shortly.

If you have any concerns about the trip before then, especially if you have a child attending the trip with a particular medical or learning need, then please get in touch with the relevant pastoral team. We are happy to meet with parents if needed, to ensure that parents feel reassured about the support that their child will be receiving over the trip.

If your child requires any medicine / inhalers / additional medical equipment, this will need to be brought into school the day before the trip where possible, clearly labelled with your child's name and form group, along with requirements for administering (if applicable). If this can be brought to Student Services, we can then make a log of all items received ready for use. If it cannot be brought in the day before, please make sure we have it on the morning of the trip, ahead of departure time. We cannot give out any medication to students unless it has been prescribed by their GP and they have been instructed to take it. All medication must be in the original labelled packaging with full prescription details as dispensed by the pharmacist. No loose medication will be accepted. All medication will be kept securely by staff.

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We have also attached a <u>kit list</u> to this letter, for parents to start getting organised for Colomendy. If you have any further questions about this, please get in touch.	
Kind regards,	
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