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EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO TREGINNIS FARM, PEMBROKESHIRE, May 2017

19 December 2016

Dear Parent/Carer,

As you may be aware, for the last two years we have taken 36 of our Y7 students to Treginnis Isaf farm, St Davids, Pembrokeshire. The visit was a huge success and we are organising another excursion to the same venue in May next year, again for our Y7 students.

Treginnis is run by the charity 'Farms for City Children' and their aim is to give urban children a taste of rural life. The students will feed, groom, muck-out and stock-check animals, work in the kitchen garden, go on nature walks, learn rural crafts, collect eggs and, if they're lucky, see calves and lambs being born. We also intend to continue to offer a trip in Rigid Inflatable Boats (RIBs) around Ramsay Island, a rugged island a mile or so off the coast near Treginnis.

We will leave school on the morning of Friday 12 May 2017 and return on Friday 19 May 2017. The price will be around £350 dependant on the programme on offer, final numbers and transport arrangements. This price will include return travel from school, full board, insurance and all activities on the farm.

If you would like your child to go on this visit, please complete the attached slip and provide a £60 deposit by Wednesday 11 January 2017. The deposit should ideally be a cheque made payable to St Mary's Catholic School or cash. This deposit will be non-refundable once a place has been allocated on the visit. If the visit is oversubscribed and your child is not allocated a place, the deposit will be refunded to you promptly in full. If we are oversubscribed, places will be allocated randomly in small friendship groups. The payment schedule thereafter will be as follows - £60 deposit plus 2 equal monthly payments of £100 on the 1 February and 1 March and a final payment of £90 on the 1 April. This totals £350.

If you would like your child to attend but have a difficulty supplying the deposit at this time, or meeting the payment schedule, or meeting the full cost of the visit, please write to me before the deposit deadline, explaining the issue and any proposal that you have.

If you would like more information about the centre you can look at the Farms for City Children website at the following address:
<http://www.ukschooltrips.co.uk/search-trips-resources/accommodation/farms-for-city-children-treginnis-isaf-pembrokeshire>

I am sure your son/daughter would find this a really valuable and enjoyable experience.

Yours sincerely,

Vicky Jackson
(Trip Lead/ Teacher of Mathematics)

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I would like my son/daughter to take part in the Treginnis Farm visit May 2017 (I understand that this does not guarantee a place).

Name of student Tutor group

Parent/Carer signature

Name of main friend also applying for the trip Tutor group of friend

