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Dear Parents and Carers

Residential Trips

Since returning this academic year, I have been reflecting on the increase in pupil numbers, the ever changing needs of our pupils and the impact these things have on our existing extra-curricular provisions.

As a result, I have taken the difficult decision to withdraw the offer of residential trips for the main school for this academic year. This will allow the staff, who give up their time voluntarily for these trips, to research activity centres, undertake the necessary pre-visits and carry out essential risk assessments. We will then be in a position to put a full programme of activities together which will maximise learning experiences for pupils whilst minimising the impact on staffing and budgets.

The residential trip to the Hampshire Mountain Centre in November for Osborne College students will still be going ahead but any parents who have paid a deposit for the trip in May will receive a refund. I acknowledge that this will be a disappointment to some pupils.

We remain committed to providing excellent opportunities for our pupils and I am hopeful that we will be able to reinstate the residential visits next year.

Thanking you for your understanding.

Yours sincerely

Sonia White (O'Donnell)
Headteacher