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Dear Parent/Carer

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Outdoor and Adventurous Activity Programme and Sporting Activities 2019/20

At Penkford school we have an Outdoor and Adventurous Programme which links in with the curriculum in school. This involves a wide range of activities that include sport, climbing, archery, water based activities, hill walking and navigation, mountain biking, bush craft, archery, camping, stunt scooters, BMXing, free running and problem solving etc.

This will involve travelling to venues around the North West, such as North Wales, West Pennine moors, Peak District, Merseyside, Yorkshire, Lake District and Greater Manchester.

As well as trying these activities the students will be able to develop their personal and social skills whilst taking part in the sessions. Some of these sessions will be linked to awards such as the Jon Muir Award and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award, British Canoe Union certificates and AQA Awards.

The school understands that we send a large quantity of forms home to fill in, so as not to cause the students and yourselves unnecessary duplication, we are suggesting that one form is filled in under the banner of 'Outdoor and Adventurous Education and Inter school sports competitions' which will cover all of the above and a table on the reverse of the letter shows a sample of venues and activities. This form will last for 12 months before it will be needed to be filled in again. We ask that if the information changes that you inform school like you would normally for telephone numbers, addresses and medication.

All specialist equipment will be provided for these activities however we do ask that on the day of their timetabled sessions that they bring in suitable clothing for outdoor activities.

In order for your child to be able to leave the school site to attend this activity, **IT IS ESSENTIAL** that you complete the enclosed parent consent form and return to school by Friday 19th July 2019.

If you would like to discuss this further please don't hesitate to contact me at the school.

If we do not receive a completed consent form your child will not be able to take part in the activities.

Yours sincerely

Mr Bergqvist
Teacher of Outdoor Education

ACTIVITY	VENUE
Climbing	Bolton quarries, Taylor Park, Snowdonia, Yorkshire and Peak District.
Indoor Climbing	Awesome walls Liverpool and Manchester, Manchester climbing centre, Haydock Sports College, North West Face Warrington.
Kayak, Canoeing	Taylor Park St Helens, Lord Derby Estate, Rivington,
Raft Building	Taylor Park St Helens, Lord Derby Estate, Rivington
Hill Walking	West Pennine Moors, Lake District, North Wales, Peak District and Yorkshire Moors, Merseyside and St Helens.
Camp Craft	West Pennine Moors, Lake District, North Wales, Peak District and Yorkshire Moors.
Archery	Taylor Park, Derbyshire Hill, Haydock Sports College and Penkford School.
Problem solving activities	Bolton Quarries, Taylor Park, Snowdonia, Yorkshire and Peak District. West Pennine Moors, Lake District, North Wales, Peak District and Yorkshire Moors.
Orienteering	Taylor Park, Haigh Hall.
Skiing/snowboarding/snow sports	Chill Factor Manchester
Mountain Biking/BMX	Sankey Valley, Taylor park and Carr Mill Dam, Bickerstaffe, Manchester, West Penine Moors
Sports	Indoor Sports Halls, Gyms and Sports Fields/All Weather pitches
Team building sessions	At all the above venues.
Sporting Activities	Ruskin Drive, Jeffery Humble Centre and other various schools

This list is not exhaustive and venues will be added throughout the year. All sites will be risk assessed before use.

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Please complete and return to school

Please circle answers the questions below.

Name of Child

Does your child suffer from any food allergies? YES/ NO

If yes please specify _____

Is your child allergic to plasters? YES/ NO

Is your child allergic to sun cream? YES/ NO

Does your child suffer from Asthma? YES/ NO

If so, does he/ she carry an inhaler? YES/ NO

Does your child suffer from any other allergies? YES/ NO

If yes please specify _____

Does your child have any other medical conditions that may affect him/ her when taking part in outdoor activities?

YES/ NO

If yes please specify _____

Signed Parent/Carer Date