



ST MARGARET WARD CATHOLIC ACADEMY



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Dear Parent/Guardian,

The last week of term, week beginning Monday 15th July, will be a collapsed timetable week for students and will comprise of activities, PSHE and careers lessons and opportunities, celebrations and activities. We have a number of trips running throughout the week. Your child may wish to attend one or more of them so we would ask that you read through the opportunities listed below and decide whether you would like them to attend. Children not attending trips will be in school as normal taking part in a range of other on-site activities. Your child may choose to take part in more than one trip (e.g. Bear Grylls and Alton Towers) if you chose to do so and as long as they are available to them and do not clash (i.e. a child cannot attend Bear Grylls and Water World/Bowling).

Open to all students:

Monday 15th July

Bear Grylls Adventure Challenge, Birmingham (100 places available)

“Home of Earth’s Greatest Challenges, a new Adventure Theme Park where you can take on incredible mental and physical challenges”. This is a full day experience with coaches leaving the school at 8:45am and returning at 4:00pm. Students will require a packed lunch or money for food. If your child is entitled to a free school meal the activity coordinator will collect this information nearer the day.

Cost of the trip = £30

Water World and Bowling at Festival Park (30 places available)

The first part of the day will be spent at Water World where you will have 2 hrs and 30 minutes swimming time. This will be followed by an afternoon of bowling at Ten Pin, Festival Park. The coach will leave school at 9:30am and return for 3:05pm. Food is provided and children can choose between a beef burger, cheese burger, veggie fingers or chicken bites. Food orders will be taken by the group coordinator nearer the time.

Cost of the trip = £30

Tuesday 16th July – Year 7 and 8 ONLY

Alton Towers:

Students will leave the school by coach no later than 9:00am and will return to school by approximately 5.00pm so you will need to make your own arrangements for the journey home from school.

Please note: There will be a clear assembly point for pupils to gather; at 3.45pm within the Resort. The coaches must leave on time and therefore if pupils are not at the designated point at the designated time, parents will be called to come and collect their child from the resort.

Pupils need to dress sensibly for the day and be prepared for wet weather. A packed lunch will be needed, or money to purchase food at Alton Towers, though we would discourage students from taking large amounts

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of cash with them. If your child is entitled to a free school meal, a packed lunch will be provided for them (this information will be collected by the activity coordinator nearer to the day).

The reduced cost to each student is £25.00. If your child has a Merlin Pass then the cost for the coach alone will be £10 return. You will need to indicate this when you pay.

Thursday 18th July – Year 9 and 10 ONLY

Alton Towers:

Students will leave the school by coach no later than 9:00am and will return to school by approximately 5.00pm so you will need to make your own arrangements for the journey home from school.

Please note: There will be a clear assembly point for pupils to gather; at 3.45pm within the Resort. The coaches must leave on time and therefore if pupils are not at the designated point at the designated time, parents will be called to come and collect their child from the resort.

Pupils need to dress sensibly for the day and be prepared for wet weather. A packed lunch will be needed, or money to purchase food at Alton Towers, though we would discourage students from taking large amounts of cash with them. If your child is entitled to a free school meal, a packed lunch will be provided for them (this information will be collected by the activity coordinator nearer to the day).

The reduced cost to each student is £25.00. If your child has a Merlin Pass then the cost for the coach alone will be £10 return. You will indicate this when you pay.

Booking and Payment

To book a place on any of the above trips please pay via Tucasi (Scopay) as this will automatically book your child's place. Payment will indicate your consent to your child attending the trip(s).

Payment is via Tucasi (Scopay) and a link to 'Online Payments' can be found on the school website www.stmargaretward.co.uk. Please note: we do not accept American Express cards.

PAYMENT will close on Monday 8th July at 2:00pm. We will be unable to accept students onto the trip after this date and any students who have not paid by this date will be required to remain in school. If you have any difficulty in paying please contact the school.

All information and requirements will be collected when the final group lists are handed to the activity coordinators on Wednesday 10th July.

Please contact me if you have any queries

E Robinson

Kind regards
Mrs E Robinson
Assistant Principal

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