



EMMANUEL COLLEGE
Emmanuel Schools Foundation

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Dear Parents and Carers

We are committed to ensuring that we have a rich and broad range of opportunities for all students outside of the academic curriculum. This commitment has led us to revise our personal development curriculum for this year. In addition to the lectures and taught opportunities for personal development in College we have also, as you know, invested significantly in the co-curricular programme. Each year the College runs a number of residential activities for students across year groups, some of which include travel abroad and many within this country. We recognise that there is often a significant fee attached to these trips and this can place a financial burden on parents. However, there are many benefits of being able to take part in a residential activity, such as developing relationships and friendships, exploring the world in which we live, building confidence and resilience and having fun. We want to ensure, therefore, that all students can attend a residential visit whilst studying at Emmanuel College. I am delighted to share with you our plans for the Year 7 and Year 8 residential programmes for 2021-22.

Year 7 students who have joined the College this year will have the opportunity to attend two residential activities, Camp Emmanuel (3 night residential in Scotland) in Year 7 and Chateaux Emmanuel (3 night residential in Northern France) in Year 8. We would like all students to attend these activities, therefore, both residentials will be heavily subsidised by the College to ensure that they are accessible to all. As a Year 7 student your child will be able to attend Camp Emmanuel in June 2022 and Chateaux Emmanuel in June 2023.

Camp Emmanuel 2022

On Monday 27 June we will travel by coach to Fordell Firs Scout Centre, near Edinburgh in Scotland. This will be the location of Camp Emmanuel where all students will be able to experience a 3 night residential camping trip. During the trip students will learn how to pitch their tents and set up their camping equipment, take part in a range of activities such as grass-sledging, orienteering, a night walk, caving, climbing etc. As a year group they will work together to set up and then enjoy their camp and develop their skills and virtues. Students will return on Thursday 30 June.

The total cost of the trip per student is £170, however 70% of this will be paid for by the College. This means that students will be able to attend the full 3 day residential for £50. Camping equipment such as tents, sleeping bags and camping mats will all be provided and a small kit list will be published shortly, which will not require parents to purchase multiple or expensive items, together with further details regarding the programme and essential information for parents. Before we travel we will also hold a parents information evening in which all aspects of the trip will be covered in detail and parents will have the opportunity to ask questions. Miss Dickinson, Head of Year 7, will communicate these details in the new year.

It is our hope that all students in Year 7 attend this trip, however, if you do not want your child to attend there will be provision in College all week for students to work independently on their study. During this week there will be activities taking place with all year groups, therefore, the normal timetable will not be in place.

To confirm your child's place at Camp Emmanuel, please complete the consent form [here](#) and pay a £10 deposit via ParentPay before Friday 26 November. The full amount can be paid at any time as can incremental payments by logging on to ParentPay. The remaining balance will need to be paid before Monday 6 June 2022.

Yours sincerely

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Vice Principal