

**Dear Parents/ Carers** 

## **Re: Year 4 Residentials**

In light of the delays and cancellations our residentials have been subject to over the last year, I have taken the decision now to cancel all Year 4 residentials in 2021.

I am sorry to have do this- our natural inclination will always be to provide the children with opportunities. However, on this occasion it feels we have reached the point of no return- the trips are now stacked up in a row like London busses. The present Year 5 would have needed to go to PGL (delayed from last summer) in July and then head to Viney Hill in September for their Year 6 trip. On top of this the present Year 3's would have needed to go to Viney Hill in October as Year 4's and the present Year 4's would also have needed to go to Viney Hill as Year 5's (delayed from last October).

Despite the obvious disappointment to the children, I hope you can appreciate the situation has become untenable. It is my opinion that the cleanest and fairest and most financially prudent way forward is to cancel all Year 4 trips (including the ones for the present Year 5, the present Year 4 and the present Year 3) and to focus our energies instead on ensuring Year 6 pupils get theirs before they leave. We can have some consolation in the knowledge that all children whose trips have been cancelled, will get an opportunity to go to Viney Hill in Year 6. We are looking to add in an extra consolation of a one off special like a trip to the seaside for these children.

We will be looking to transfer funds over from the cancelled PGL trip to the Autumn Viney Hill trip.

If you have any questions regarding the residentials, please feel free to get in touch.

Kind regards,

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