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Dear Parents,

YEAR 9 RESIDENTIAL COURSE 7th – 11th JUNE, 2010

Your daughter now needs to make some decisions regarding the residential course for this year. There are three centres from which to choose; the cost given for each of these is fully inclusive (ie travel, accommodation, food etc). There should be no need to purchase any special clothing or equipment, providing your daughter has a suitable weather-proof coat and reasonably sturdy footwear (trainers are fine).

The expectation is that all girls should be involved, unless there is a particular reason for withdrawal.

Hartington (Derbyshire)

The programme followed here is designed to introduce the girls to an understanding of the geographical, historical and leisure aspects of their environment. It will, however, incorporate several sessions of outdoor activities, one of which will be water based.

A typical itinerary:

- Monday - Chatsworth House
- Tuesday - Archery / Team Games / Watersports
- Wednesday - Activities (ie outdoors all day)
- Thursday - Haddon Hall & Heights of Abraham
- Friday - Activity or visit

Edale (Derbyshire) and Llangollen (North Wales)

Both of these involve a full programme of activities, providing an introduction to a variety of outdoor activities. Possibilities include: canoeing, climbing, mountain biking, gorge walking and sailing. All specialist equipment will be provided and no previous experience will be required (except for cycling).

All activities are provided by specialist instructors with the appropriate qualifications (with the exception of cycling at Hartington which is simply supervised by school staff).

The residential will cost £310 whichever centre is chosen. In each case, there will be a record card to incorporate into their ROA diaries. Please detach and return the centre preference form opposite to the school office by Wednesday 17th March (late forms are less likely to secure the first choice centre and may be allocated places wherever there is space). All payments will be via Parent Pay; details of this will be provided once places have been allocated.

Yours sincerely,

Dr R Perrins

Year 9 Residential Course
7th - 11th June 2010

CENTRE PREFERENCE FORM

Daughter's name:..... Form.....

- Please list the three centres **in order of preference**:
 - first choice:
 - second choice:
 - third choice:
- I understand that she may not receive a place at her first choice of centre, as there are a fixed number of places available at each.
- If your daughter is unable to go on the residential, please give a brief explanation below.

We do understand the conflicting demands on the family purse and are anxious that finance should not be one of the reasons your daughter misses out on this opportunity. There are several possibilities for financial help and further information can be obtained from the main school office. You are urged to take advantage of these.

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Parental Signature _____ Date: _____