## **Newlands Girls' School**

## **Courage Commitment Compassion**

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**Dear Parents and Carers** 

## Year 8 Enrichment Days - Tuesday 16th to Friday 19th July 2024

The teachers at Newlands have been busy organising activities for the Year 7 Enrichment Days and have put together an exciting programme of events for your child.

Date	Activity
Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup> July	Students in school:
	All day: Drama activities
	Register in main hall
	Trip:
	Marwell Zoo
	Register on the Tennis Courts with Mr Clark
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> July	Sports Day
	Register with Form Tutors in Form Rooms
Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup> July	Morning: Orienteering / Questing
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	Afternoon: Real Life Problem Solving
	Register in Maths Department with Mr Wilmott
Friday 19th July	Form Group Activities and Rewards Assemblies
	- Register with Form Tutors in Form Rooms
	School closes: 12pm

In school, the timings for Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday will follow the normal school day. Term will **finish at midday** on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July.

Students are permitted to wear non-uniform clothes for Enrichment Days, however, on each day there will be some physical activities and therefore students should wear clothing and footwear suitable for this. They should also bring sun cream, a sun hat and a bottle of water each day. The rules for hair, make-up and accessories will be the same as for a normal school day. Vest tops, shorts and cropped tops are permitted if it is hot, (no spaghetti straps please) and these should be day wear and not beach or party wear.

As your child will be involved in Sports Day on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July, can I ask that they wear either their house t-shirt or a t-shirt in their house colour as well as their PE kit, including PE shorts and trainers. Students are also permitted to wear face paint in their house colour on this day if they choose to. There will also be a range of confectionery for sale during the day and students are therefore invited to bring in some small change with them if they would like to purchase these.

On Tuesday 16th July, pupils visiting Marwell Zoo must wear sensible footwear. Your child will need to bring a packed lunch and any medication they may require. Please check in advance the weather forecast for the day and ensure they bring a raincoat, sun cream, and/or sunhat as necessary. The zoo only accepts card payments, so if students wish to purchase anything from the gift shop, they will need a card. Additionally, it is recommended that students bring a reusable water bottle as there are plenty of fountains located around the zoo. Please note that mobile phones should be kept in bags and switched off for the duration of the trip, or ideally left at home.

On Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> July, students will be in groups of approximately 10 for the Quest Challenge and they will be supervised at all times by a member of staff. This orienteering activity will involve them completing a variety of tasks and activities both on and off the school site. Tasks range from utilising knowledge and logic to sport skills and physical challenge. The aim of the activity is for students to use their skills and knowledge of the local area to answer as many of the questions as possible in the time allowed. Please ensure your child is dressed appropriately for this activity in shoes that are suitable for walking up to three miles. Depending on the weather forecast, your child should also bring a bottle of water, sun cream, sunhat, jumper, raincoat and/or umbrella.

On the final day of term, Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July, students must wear their house t-shirt or a t-shirt in their house colour as we will be having a whole school House assembly to announce the winner of the House Cup 2023-24.

I look forward to a rich and varied few days at the end of term.

Yours sincerely

Miss C. Bevan

Assistant Headteacher









