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September 2016

**To the parent/carers of Year 8**

Dear Parents/Carers

Once again we are able to offer our Year 8 students an opportunity to extend their learning in the National Curriculum subjects of Geography, History/Citizenship, RE and Maths with visits to Cheddar Gorge and the National Museum of Cardiff.

At Cheddar Gorge students will be exploring how caves are formed, how Cheddar Gorge was formed, the use of the caves historically and today. There will also be a walk up the 274 steps of Jacob's Ladder to look down on the whole area.

At Cardiff Museum students will have the opportunity to experience the work of well-known artists including Monet, Cezanne and Rodin. Students will also visit the Natural History side of the Museum

Each tutor group will make the visits on the following schedule. The cost of the visits includes admission fees, coach journey and insurance. The donation is voluntary but if insufficient contributions are received then the activities may need to be cancelled.

	Cheddar Gorge	Cardiff Museum	In School Activities
Monday 10 October 2016	8A1/8A2/8A3 8A4/8A5/8A6		8B1/8B2/8B3 8B4/8B5/8B6 (Maths)
Tuesday 11 October 2016	8B1/8B2/8B3 8B4/8B5/8B6	8A1/8A2/8A3 8A4/8A5/8A6	
Monday 17 July 2017			8A1/8A2/8A3 8A4/8A5/8A6 (Maths) 8B1/8B2/8B3 8B4/8B5/8B6 (RE)
Tuesday 18 July 2017		8B1/8B2/8B3 8B4/8B5/8B6	8A1/8A2/8A3 8A4/8A5/8A6 (RE)



Students should be in school at the usual time to register at 8.40am. Coaches will return to school for 2.55pm (ie normal school finishing time).

At Cheddar Gorge students will **not** need to wear school uniform but **must wear sensible shoes for slippery wet surfaces**. A packed lunch is needed (free school meals provided as usual).

A waterproof coat, pens, pencils and a clipboard are essential. Please note packed lunches **must not contain fizzy drinks in glass bottles** (if the weather is hot, extra drinks may be needed).

**The cost of the trips is £20.50 and we will be grateful if you could arrange to make the payment via Parent Pay by THURSDAY 6 OCTOBER 2016**

**PLEASENOTE**

- All payments to be made using the Parent Pay Option on Priory Community School website or long onto [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com), the account allocated is 'Yr8 Enrichment 2016/17'.
- Please ensure the 'Consent Box' is ticked in Parent Pay to give your permission for your child to attend.
- Please make sure all your contact details are updated in case of emergencies.
- If you prefer to pay cash please contact the Finance Office to obtain a barcoded letter to use at a paypoint network at your local convenience store.
- If payment has to be made by the school before the activity takes place, please note that all moneys paid will be non-refundable.
- All students on Priory Community School trips are covered by Zurich Insurance.

Yours sincerely

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