



**SOUTH STAFFORDSHIRE
Learning Partnership**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Year 7 Visit to The Challenge Academy, Baggeridge
7RW and 7SJ – Wednesday 2nd April
7RS and 7GS – Friday 4th April**

As part of their learning around metacognition, we are pleased to offer Year 7 pupils the opportunity to attend a visit to The Challenge Academy at Baggeridge Park. This visit will link to all of the curriculum themes that we cover this year including leadership, courage and resilience.

During the visit students will have the opportunity to take part in a range of outdoor activities including high ropes, power fan and climbing as well as team building and problem-solving activities.

Pupils should wear their own comfortable clothing but these should not be leggings, vest tops or jeans. Jogging bottoms and a t-shirt and sweatshirt would be appropriate with a raincoat if needed.

The cost of the visit is £35 per child, this includes transport, instruction, activities, equipment and insurance. If your child is entitled to free school meals, you may be entitled to help with the cost of this visit. Please contact Mrs Burrington in writing if you wish to make a claim.

Children should bring a packed lunch and a drink in a plastic bottle – no fizzy drinks, cans or glass bottles please. Mobile phones may be brought in bags but must be switched off and not used for the duration of the visit. We cannot take responsibility for any valuable items.

If you would like your child to take part, please make payment and give consent on ParentPay by Friday 28th March 2025 – **the waiver must also be returned to Mrs Shelley by this date**. No payments will be taken after this date and therefore your child will not be allowed to take part if payment hasn't been made by then. If the waiver is not returned, your child will not be able to take part and no monies will be refunded.

This is a great opportunity and we hope that your child will participate and join us in what should be a very enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely,

**Chloe Shelley
Assistant Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead**

CHALLENGE ACADEMY - PARENTAL CONSENT FORM

TO BE READ BY PARENTS AND LEGAL GUARDIANS OF UNDER 18 PARTICIPANTS

Challenge Academy facilities and activities meet the highest safety standards and all instructors are highly trained. The 'Challenge by Choice' approach means that your child will be encouraged to decide if, when, and how far they step outside of their 'Comfort Zone', to take on a challenge - without coercion from staff and peers. Your child will have a safe, fulfilling and enjoyable time.

Participating in physical or adventurous activities will always have associated risks of personal injury. Challenge Academy makes every effort to minimise this risk - equipment and systems are extremely safe, regularly checked, all activity at height is instructor led and staff are trained to a high standard. However, participants in these activities should be aware of the risks as described and must always behave responsibly.

'I understand that Challenge Academy accepts no responsibility for loss, damage or injury caused by or during participation in the Activity, except where the loss, damage or injury was caused directly by Challenge Academy's negligence.

I give permission for my child(ren) to participate, I acknowledge my responsibility and will ensure that my child(ren) will be made aware that they must follow instructions and behave appropriately. I understand that some of the ground-based activities, bouldering and the obstacle course will be undertaken without direct supervision, following the safety instruction. I accept that, if my child(ren) are not compliant with the rules of the Centre, then they may not be able to take part.

I will make the trip/party organiser aware of any medical conditions that are relevant to their ability to safely undertake and complete any of the Challenge Academy activities, I also confirm that I will inform the trip organiser of any specific needs. I agree to the trip organiser sharing relevant medical information about my child with the instructors. This information will be treated confidentially'.

I am over 18 - I am the parent or legal guardian for the child/children listed on this form. I have read and understand the content of this consent form and hereby give permission for those listed to participate.

Name/names of child(ren) participating:

Name:

Signature:

Challenge Academy sometimes use photographs for marketing purposes. They do not use names. Please make us aware if you do not consent to having their image being captured.