

14 June 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

### **Year 7 Team Building Day – Monday 5 July 2021**

I'd like to first take this opportunity to say how proud I am of our students and the way they have conducted themselves and adjusted to secondary school life in their first year at Weald. We appreciate that this has been an incredibly challenging year for our Year 7 cohort and that the Covid-19 restrictions have prevented us from putting in place many of the usual activities which help students settle in. We are, therefore, very excited to announce a Year 7 team-building day to take place on Monday 5 July.

The fun-filled day will be held at the Tonbridge Campus and run by 'Wise Up', an external team-building organisation. The day will involve students working in groups to tackle a variety of challenging but enjoyable tasks which range from the more physical to the more logical and allow different strengths of the group members to shine. The day is designed to inspire students to plan, communicate, work together and motivate themselves and others.

In order to facilitate the whole Year 7 cohort being together, we will be moving all Year 7 Sevenoaks students to and from the Tonbridge campus via coach. Students in Sevenoaks should arrive at their normal time and register in their form room at 8.45am before travelling by coach to Tonbridge with staff. We anticipate that the team-building day will start at 9.30am for all students. Sevenoaks students will leave Tonbridge no later than 2.45pm (to return to Sevenoaks for 3.40pm) so that they can take their normal transport home. Please be aware that journey times are dependent on traffic and you may wish to make alternative arrangements for your child to get home on this day.

If your child is at our Sevenoaks campus and you would like them to make their own way to and from the Tonbridge campus, please email me on [acooper@wealdgs.org](mailto:acooper@wealdgs.org). For safeguarding reasons, we will not be able to change these arrangements on the day and therefore must have this information by Monday 28 June, at the latest.

On the day, students should wear their PE kit and we recommend they bring their usual packed lunch. However, food will be available from the canteen if needed. They will not need any other equipment but we suggest they bring sun cream and a hat and/or a coat depending on the weather as the activities will be held outside, weather permitting.

During the day we will maintain the Year 7 bubbles for Sevenoaks and Tonbridge, students will only work with other students in their current bubble. If there is any change in government COVID-19 restrictions and we are unable to run the activity for any reason we will inform you as soon as possible.

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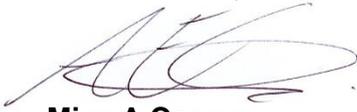
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The total cost to the school of the team-building day is £16 per student. We are therefore asking for a voluntary contribution of £16 from parents and carers, to be made via ParentPay by Monday 28 June. We do not expect any contribution from the parents or carers of students who are in receipt of government 'Pupil Premium' funding. Thank you in advance for your support.

We do hope that this will be an enjoyable day for all students involved.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A Cooper', written in a cursive style.

**Miss A Cooper**  
Head of Year 7