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6<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Dear Parent/Guardian,

### YEAR 9 CAMP 2013

As part of our Year 9 programme of studies, we have for many years included a summer residential activity camp. Following the success at Stubbers Adventure Centre in Upminster in July 2012, we have decided to continue at this venue for 2013. The dates for this year's Camp are Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> July – Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> July 2013.

Year 9 Camp is a vital aspect of the curriculum that cannot be covered from the school site and we expect all students in the year group to take full advantage of this opportunity.

The aim of the week is to develop personal skills and confidence in the students through an exciting programme of activities that include:

Open Canoeing	Archery
Kayaking	Team Building games
Jet Ski-ing	Climbing Wall
Bell Boating	High Ropes Course
Raft Building	Tunnelling
Wobbly Board	Quad Biking
Sleeping under canvas	Camp Duties

The programme has been carefully planned and tested to allow every individual to participate in every activity in a challenging environment. Students will be given the choice of tent colleagues. It is very important to the success of the Camp that everyone gets on with each other and works together as a team. Much care has, and will be, taken over this element of the Camp.

Some relevant tutorial work will be undertaken by the students prior to and following the Camp. Students who attend Camp will get experiences that will remain with them throughout their lives. I wish to maintain the ethos that Camp is for all, an aspect that that is vitally important.

The overall cost, including camping fees, all food and transport, instruction fees, hire of equipment – in fact everything – will be £185.00. We hope that you agree that this is unbeatable value for a week of residential activity. The final payment is due to Stubbers by the end of April and have included a payment plan on the next page to meet this deadline.

I will be doing a number of fund-raising activities that will help keep costs down and will ensure the ethos that Year 9 Camp is for all is maintained.

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The Stubbers site is a secure site with a locked entrance. We will be taking over the entire camping section of the centre. Activities always run from first thing in the morning until late in the evening. Fulston Manor staff are there 24 hours a day, camping on the same site.

There are two items for your attention at present:

# 1. PARENTS MEETING – TUESDAY 18<sup>™</sup> SEPTEMBER 2012, 7:00 PM

This will be an information meeting with an opportunity for you to ask any general or individual guestions on any aspect of the Camp Week.

### 2. PAYMENT FOR THE CAMP

This can be a lump sum or by instalments. All money should be sent to the School Finance Office in a sealed envelope between 8.40 a.m. and 8.50 a.m. and marked as follows:

Year 9 Camp	Student's Name and Tutor Group
Amount Enclosed £	Date

I am suggesting the following payment plan should you prefer this option.

Payment Date	Amount
Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> September	£30
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	£30
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> December	£30
Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> February	£30
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March	£30
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	£35

A first deposit of **£30**, along with the reply slip must be sent in by **Friday**, **28**<sup>th</sup> **September 2012.** All money should be paid in full by **Friday 19**<sup>th</sup> **April**. Cheques should be made payable to Fulston Manor School. If the cost presents any particular problems, then please do not hesitate to contact me as soon as possible.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter by signing and returning the reply slip below to your child's tutor as soon as possible.

Yours faithfully

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Mr G C Johnson Year 9 Camp Coordinator 2012

## REPLY SLIP: (ATTN. MRS R NOKES)

#### FULSTON MANOR SCHOOL

I acknowledge receipt of your letter dated **6<sup>th</sup> September 2012** regarding Year 9 Camp and would like my son\*/daughter\*/ to be involved.

I enclose a deposit of £30.00.

(Please make cheques payable to Fulston Manor School. The Finance Office also accept credit and debit cards (there will be a 2% charge for credit cards.) or you can pay by +Pay on Parentmail).