

# Penpol School

2 St George's Road, Hayle, Cornwall, TR27 4AH



Dear Parents,

Two weeks ago, we were told that Cornwall Outdoors was going to be cancelling all school residential visits due to staffing issues, including our school residential we had booked for Porthpean in May. We have quickly attempted to source another provider so that the children don't miss out on another experience after a turbulent two years and we are delighted to say that we have booked two nights at the Mountbatten Centre in Plymouth <https://www.mount-batten-centre.com>. The Mountbatten Centre caters for adventure and water-sports and they have given us a great looking itinerary for our days there.

We will be leaving school on Tuesday May 3<sup>rd</sup> to travel by train to Plymouth, with the train departing at 09:24am. Once we arrive in Plymouth, the activity centre will pick up our baggage from the train station whilst we take a twenty-minute walk to the waterfront, before catching our own water-taxi over to the centre and our three days of activity.

On Friday the 5<sup>th</sup> of May, we will return in the same manner, arriving back to school for 5pm. We will be inviting all parents in for a meeting to give more information about the residential nearer the time, but for now, we are asking parents to let us know as soon as possible if their child will be attending. Please could you complete and return the slip below.

The cost of our original planned visit to Porthpean was £164 and although the visit to Mountbatten Centre is working out more expensive, we are committed to keeping the cost to parents the same at £164. The children will be organising fund raising events to help with this and will also be writing to local companies to try to obtain sponsorship. This visit is on our ParentPay system under the payment item 'Year 5 Camp'. If you have already made payments in to the Porthpean trip, these will now show under this item. We have extended the payment time until the end of June, to enable you to pay in as and when you are able. However, if the total cost of the camp should be difficult for you, please do contact us.

We have been organising residential trips for many years now and the benefits for all are clear for us to see. This trip will be a wonderful opportunity to engage in new and exciting experiences and we do hope that your child is able to take part.

Kind regards,

Mr Pollard, Mr Jones and Mr Wise

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NAME OF CHILD .....

DATE .....

YES – My child would like to take part in the residential visit to The Mountbatten Centre

I understand the total cost of the visit will be £164 with all payments to be made by 30 June.

NO – My child does not wish to take part in the residential visit to The Mountbatten Centre

Please tick as appropriate.

SIGNED .....Parent/Carer