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Dear Parent/Carer

RE: Year 9 Enrichment Week

Dear Parent/Carer,

Following the conclusion of our Year 9 Enrichment Week, I would like to thank you for your patience, support and understanding during last week's exceptionally hot weather.

We were extremely disappointed that we were unable to deliver the full five-day programme as originally planned. However, we worked hard to adapt the schedule and ensure that students were still able to benefit from as many of the planned enrichment opportunities as possible.

Where activities provided by external companies carried a significant cost, we took every opportunity to rearrange the programme so that students could still participate. As a result, students were able to experience the **Go Ape** and **rafting** activities despite the disruption caused by the extreme weather. The activities that were unfortunately lost were those led by school staff and did not incur any additional cost.

We appreciate that some students were disappointed to miss two days of the programme. Unfortunately, with so little time remaining in the academic year, it has not been possible to reschedule the staff-led activities that were cancelled.

Our Enrichment Week is designed to provide students with a wide range of educational, cultural and outdoor experiences at an affordable cost to families. By combining externally provided activities with those organised and led by our own staff, we are able to offer an extensive programme for £50 per student. Although the week was shortened due to circumstances beyond our control, we hope students still enjoyed the opportunities they were able to experience and the memories they made.

If you feel that your child did not have the opportunity to participate in the externally provided activities outlined above and you have not already been in contact with me to discuss this, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Looking ahead, we have moved Enrichment Week to July from next year onwards. This will ensure that our Year 10 students are still able to benefit from an Enrichment Week following the completion of their end-of-year examinations.

Thank you once again for your continued support throughout the year. Yours faithfully,

Kirsty Downing
Assistant Headteacher