



Dear Parents,

I am delighted to write this letter to you to launch the second and final Year 7 Tyr Abad trip for this academic year. After the success of the first trip that has just returned and the high demand for the Tyr Abad courses, we have decided to take up on an option we have for another Year 7 trip this year. It will run for 5 days between **13 - 17 January 2020**. The course leaves on Monday morning and returns late Friday afternoon (at around 18:00).

Tyr Abad is a residential centre in Mid-Wales. Please look at the attached information sheet for more details about the centre and the activities. Tyr Abad can host 36 students which are supervised by 2 members of Emmbrook staff. The centre also has three members of permanent staff who are fully qualified in outdoor activities, as well as a small number of trainee instructors.

The cost of the trip is £290 which is inclusive of board, lodging, instruction, specialist equipment, coach travel and insurance. If you would like your son or daughter to take part, please complete the form below and return it with a non-refundable deposit of £100 to The Emmbrook School.

At this point I would also like to apologise for the very short notice for this course. In order to make the financial aspect a bit more manageable, it has been agreed with the Headteacher, Mr McSweeney, that after paying the deposit parents will be able to pay the remainder balance (£190) in 2 installments in January and February. However, if you wish to arrange a more flexible payment plan contact me to discuss options.

I would also like to share my thoughts about this trip and address some of the questions that you might have with regards to the timing of the trip in January. Although it can be cold and sometimes snowy, Tyr Abad has been running courses successfully in winter for decades. In fact in the two weeks following our trip, Charters and Maiden Erlegh have Year 7 courses at the centre. I will be accompanying the students myself, as I particularly enjoy being at that stunning part of the world in the winter.

If you have any further queries, please do not hesitate to contact me by email ekalatzis@emmbrook.wokingham.sch.uk. If you would like more information about Tyr Abad (kit lists etc.), please visit the Tyr Abad website: <http://www.tirabadoutdoorcentre.co.uk/>. Should you wish your son/daughter to participate, please complete the reply slip below and return it to student reception or the finance office. When your son/daughter secures a place you will be sent further information about the trip.

Yours sincerely

Mr. Kalatzis



Name of Pupil: _____

I would like my son/daughter to attend the course at Tyr Abad in **January 2020**.

I enclose a non-refundable deposit of £100. (cheque number _____ made payable to Emmbrook School) returnable only if he/she is compelled to withdraw for medical reasons. By signing up to this course I agree to the terms and conditions highlighted overleaf.

Please write pupil's name on the back of the cheque.

Signed _____

Date _____ (Parent/Guardian)



TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR PARTICIPATING IN A SCHOOL TRIP

1. I am fully committed to this trip and understand that I am liable to pay the full amount even if my son/daughter is subsequently unable to attend the trip for whatever reason. A refund of the cost of a confirmed place will only be made if the trip is over-subscribed and the place can be sold to another student.
2. I agree that all balances will be paid before the departure date (unless otherwise prearranged with the lead member of staff).
3. If my child falls ill/is injured and is unable to attend the trip, I understand that the full amount will still need to be paid and a claim placed with the insurance company for reimbursement. I understand that this will need medical certification.
4. I understand that there may be other costs involved with the trip (inoculations, equipment, clothing etc.) that are not covered in the trip fee. (These should be fully explained in the marketing, please contact the lead member of staff for full details).
5. I understand that all activities are weather dependent and may change with short notice.

NB By agreeing to your child taking part in this event, you are also agreeing to photographs being taken and used for publicity purposes on the school website. If you would prefer this is not the case, please contact the lead member of staff to make your wishes known.