

Headteacher: Mr D. Whales | Chair of Governors: Mr A. Brown

14th May 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

Nene Outdoors – Kayaking and Sailing (Friday 26th June 2026)

As part of our Sport Studies course, students need to get assessed in an Outdoor and Adventurous Activity (OAA). In addition to this, students need to plan their risk assessment and safety procedures for taking part in the OAA activity and then evaluate their performance in the activity once they have taken part.

In order for students to get assessed in the OAA sport, we are going to **Nene Outdoors** in Nene Park on **Friday 26th June 2026 from 9.30am – 12.30pm**. Here students will take part in **Kayaking** on the lake with a life jacket on, in an individual boat, for 1.5 hours and **Sailing** on the lake for 1.5 hours, working in groups. The total cost of this will be £30, this includes coach transport.

Students will need to come into school in their school uniform and then get changed into suitable clothing for the activity before leaving school. Students will also need a change of clothes just in case they get wet during the kayaking. Please be aware, if the weather permits then students may be asked to wear wetsuits for the activities due to safety reasons. We advise students to be in sportswear that they would not mind getting dirty/damaged along with a suitable pair of shoes. If students usually get food from the canteen at break time, they will need to do this during lunch instead or bring a packed lunch/snacks for the morning. If students usually receive Free School Meals, they will still be able access this during their regular lunchtime.

This is an essential trip for students, as without it they risk scoring an **extremely low mark** in their coursework, therefore bringing their overall grade down. I appreciate that very few funds exist to subsidise such activities and therefore they can only take place if all parents or students are prepared to meet the costs voluntarily. I would like to add that if any parents are unable to meet the cost, please contact me, in confidence, at school.

For your son/daughter to take part in the activities, please complete the Microsoft Form by using the link or QR code below. You will then need to pay the £30 via ParentPay. This needs to be completed by Friday 15th May 2026 **at the latest**.

[Nene Outdoors - Kayaking and Sailing Trip 26th June 2026 – Fill out form](#)

If there are any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully



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Risk level	Description of activities
Low Risk	Local trip, routinely occurs, limited travel, no adventurous activities, within school hours, good levels of supervision.
Medium Risk	Some adventurous activities included, more extensive travel, higher levels of potential interaction with members of the public, extended hours, good levels of supervision.
High Risk	Adventurous activities, residential, extensive travel/abroad, extended trip length, involves activities interacting with water, minimal or lack of supervision (Duke of Edinburgh Scheme/Secondary School only)

This trip is classed as **medium risk**.

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