

Year 12 Outward-Bounds Trip

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our Induction Programme for the Sixth Form, we will be taking Year 12 on a short residential trip to an outward-bound centre, Norfolk Lakes, near Norwich. During this experience, students will get the chance to take part in a range of teambuilding activities that will challenge and push them outside of their comfort zone, along with getting to know a variety of different students within the sixth form.

It is also a great opportunity for students to gain a sense of belonging and community in their new learning environment and makes a real difference to them settling during this transition process.

They will also be joined by our Sixth Form Tutor Team, and key sixth form staff, which again is essential to building those really important relationships and support networks the students will lean on through their sixth form journey.

The date of the trip is from the 10 to 11 October 2025, and the cost of the trip for the 2-day residential is £120. This cost covers, all meals, accommodation, travel, and instruction during the two days. If your child is in receipt of 16-19 Bursary, then we will be happy to help support the funding of this trip, so please get in touch.

Prior to joining the Sixth Form, we ask that you to pay an initial deposit of £20. This can be found on your ParentPay portal. If you decide not to join the Sixth Form, this will be refunded back to the payee account.

If you are an external student, the initial deposit of £20 is to be paid by 12th September 2025, once you have had a ParentPay account set up during the first week of the new term.

The final balance amount of £100 for the trip is then due by 26th September 2025.

Closer to the time, I will send out a more detailed letter that will include equipment requirements and travel final arrangements. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school via admin@birchwoodhigh.org.uk

Kind Regards,

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