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Dear Parent/Carer

## Kayaking Course - Cuckmere Haven

As part of the GCSE Physical Education course students are able to participate in a range of sporting activities. Some of these activities take place outside of school curriculum time and require specialist equipment and staffing.

We are pleased to offer the opportunity for students to participate in a six week kayaking course commencing on Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> September. The course will take place between 12.40pm and 4.00pm. The cost of the course will be £75.00. The cost covers all elements of the trip including coaching, transport, equipment and insurance. Students will be taken from school, by minibus, to Cuckmere Haven and will be returned to school after completing the activity. Whilst at Cuckmere the students will be taught the skills needed to be proficient in kayaking both in still and moving water. Depending upon the ability of the students it may be possible to gain a national recognised qualification. Students will need to bring with them swimwear, old footwear suitable for the water and a towel. All specialist equipment will be provided including spray tops, buoyancy aids and wet suits when appropriate.

Due to the health and safety requirements of the course there are only limited spaces available on the trip and these places will be offered on a first come, first served basis. To secure a place on the trip we would ask parents to pay a deposit of £30 on ParentPay and pay the remaining balance by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> October.

It is important to stress that kayaking is an additional sport to what we are able to offer in school, hence the reason why the activity takes place after the end of the school day. Should any students not wish to participate in this activity they will not be disadvantaged within the GCSE PE course as there will be PE activities available in school.

I know you will appreciate the high level of responsibility involved in taking students on trips and would like to reiterate that the school reserves the right to cancel the place of any student whose behaviour leads us to believe that their participation would present too great a risk. Poor attendance could also jeopardise a student's place on the trip.

Should you wish to discuss any aspect of the trip further please contact me via email <a href="mailto:reevem@seahavenacademy.org.uk">reevem@seahavenacademy.org.uk</a>

Yours sincerely

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