

Opportunity - Challenge - Independence - Experience - Resilience - Confidence

REDMOOR ENRICHMENT COURSE

19th - 23rd June 2023

Your REC
journey
starts now...



Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to present details of our Redmoor Enrichment Course (REC) for the academic year 2022-2023. As part of their educational provision at Redmoor Academy, all students in KS3 are required to complete three Enrichment Courses, one in each academic year. We passionately believe in providing students with exciting and enriching opportunities beyond the classroom that develop them as individuals, alongside their academic progress. Events of the last 2 years have not only prevented these events from taking place but have also emphasised just how important they are to our students.



This year there are 16 courses available, giving our students a wide variety from which to make their choice. Some of the courses are fully-residential, while others are part-residential and part school-based and some are wholly school-based courses that consist of a series of “school day” opportunities. Each is designed to extend students’ knowledge, skills and understanding in addition to enhancing the personal development of every individual who takes part. The aim is for students to have an opportunity to gain independence, confidence and resilience, with a chance to meet new people, discover who they actually are and who they can become.

Whilst we require a financial contribution to ensure REC week is a successful and enriching experience, we work hard to offer a range of experiences at different costs and, in challenging financial times for schools, continue to fund the organisation and running of this provision. We believe in the benefits it offers our students and I therefore ask that you spend some time with your child to read about the options available and discussing the most appropriate course.

Payment Information

I would like to remind you that as the activities take place predominantly within school hours, there is no legal obligation for full-contribution payments. It would however, be impossible for the school to fully finance those activities that incur a cost. Therefore, we ask that you support us with those courses, otherwise that element of the programme may not be able to proceed. Please refer to the payment schedules at the back of the booklet for details of each trip and ensure you are able to meet the cost of each of the 3 trip options you choose.

Where appropriate and beneficial, the academy contracts external providers to deliver some programmes of study and therefore, all deposits are non-refundable and instalment deadlines must be met. In certain circumstances, Redmoor Academy may be able to help students financially. Further advice about this can be sought from Mrs Jane Sulley, Business Manager.

Redmoor Academy do reserve the right to remove a students from a trip initially allocated if payment cannot be made or if the child’s behaviour in school leads us to decide that they would not be safe or could not be trusted. An alternative will always be offered.

Should you wish to discuss any other aspect of the programme of study offered as part of our Enrichment Course, you should either contact Miss Smart or Mrs Green on 01455 230731 or via email on **rec@redmooracademy.org**

Please complete the Options Form by Sunday 6th November 2022. You will be notified which programme of study your child will participate in once the allocation process is complete.

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Principal

FULL RESIDENTIAL

Visit the awe inspiring Bay of Naples in Italy and come with us to discover what Italians call 'La Dolce Vita'.

Steeped in history, the region is also one of Italy's most spectacular and home to picturesque ancient villas, lemon and orange groves and fascinating tourist spots packed with colour.

For keen geographers, few places offer such insight into volcanic activity and natural disaster than the historical settlement of Pompeii, situated in the shadow of Mount Vesuvius. If history is your thing, Naples paints a picture of Roman life from emperors and senators to soldiers, farmers and slaves. You will visit amphitheatres, ancient temples, walk to the summit of the active volcano of Vesuvius, as well as take a boat tour around the stunning Amalfi coast to the city of Salerno.

Please note – a deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip



PGL Isle Of Wight Year 7/8

FULL RESIDENTIAL

This trip will be a week filled with fun and adventure.

Set on the beautiful Isle of Wight surrounded by lakes, trees and nature, you will get the chance to experience a multi activity 5 day/4-night residential trip where you will be able to develop your teamwork skills, gain independence and face new and exciting challenges.

There will be a wide range of activities for you to have a go at – such as canoeing, abseiling, hiking, axe throwing, fencing, orienteering, zip wires and quad biking. As well as evening activities.

This is a trip which will keep you on the go – there will be no time to be bored.

Come with us and make some great memories on this action packed week of thrills!

Please note – a deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip



Welsh Adventure

Year 8/9

£465

FULL RESIDENTIAL

To foster a sense of adventure, challenge and excitement whilst living in a close social environment in the beautiful Brecon Beacons.

The week will be physically tough, muddy, and a whole lot of fun, so you'll need to bring plenty of energy. Students will be challenged physically when taking part in outdoor activities in unfamiliar environments with a guaranteed increase in self confidence and self reliance.

This awesome five night residential experience will be physically demanding but full of fun, allowing you to participate in new and exciting activities such as gorge scrambling, climbing and abseiling, canoeing/kayaking and much, much more!

Please Note: Students MUST be able to swim at a basic level. The Storey Arms Centre provides all specialist equipment including wetsuits, waterproofs, walking boots, rucksacks, safety helmets etc. so there will not be any additional expenses other than a small amount of pocket money to spend on the journey and in the Storey Arms Tuck Shop.

Please note - deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip.



Edinburgh

Year 7/8/9

£515

FULL RESIDENTIAL

Would you like to visit Scotland's historic capital city? On this trip you will spend time in Edinburgh, a city full of sights, and visit landmarks including Holyrood Palace, Edinburgh Castle and Edinburgh zoo - home to the UK's only Panda Bears. We'll be staying in the winding streets of the Old Town, steeped in history and will hear stories of ghosts and ghouls and visit the real Mary King's close, giving you a flavour of what life was like to live in the old town of Edinburgh. We'll step aboard the Queen's royal yacht which is now permanently based in Edinburgh and visit some of the UK's most unique museums, including Camera Obscura which is dedicated to optical illusions and allows you a 360 degree view of the city.

Be prepared for some uphill walking, and you will be rewarded with the spectacular views from Arthur's Seat!

Please note - a deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip



Surf's Up

Year 7/8/9

£470

FULL RESIDENTIAL

Surf's Up will place you in the vibrant Cornish town of Newquay, where you will take part in a range of thrilling coastal activities including coasteering, surfing, bodyboarding, volleyball, sailing, paddle-boarding, kayaking and zorbing. Evening entertainment includes; town walks, disco night and fish and chips on the beach with games and free time. The schedule is very busy and good punctuality is essential. Overall, this experience will ensure you gain new friendships, confidence and independence, but **ONLY CHOOSE THIS OPTION** if you are willing to challenge yourself to face the elements and push the boundaries of your capabilities!

*Students **must** be able to swim a minimum of 10 metres.*

Please note – a deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip



Cosmopolitan Adventure

Year 7/8/9

£510

PART RESIDENTIAL

London is home to some of the most iconic landmarks in the world. On Cosmopolitan Adventure you will get the chance to explore them for yourself. We will travel to the capital city at 9.am on Monday morning and stay in a hotel for four days and three nights. Over the week you will see incredible animals at the Sea Life Centre, experience the horror of the London Dungeons and stroll around the famous markets of Covent Garden. Along the way we will walk past historic sites like Downing Street and Big Ben. You will then get the chance to see them all from above on the London Eye. We will tour the Tower of London, cruise down the river Thames, and have a guided tour of Wembley Stadium. You will get to visit the Globe theatre, where Shakespeare staged his plays, and then see a modern showstopper in the West End. We will return home on Thursday afternoon, stopping off at Harry Potter studios on the way. We finish the week at Warwick Castle where you will be taught the art of battle and get to witness the famous falconry show. We pack a lot into the week and are looking for energetic students with an interest in history, theatre and culture. This is a great opportunity to visit one of the most fascinating cities in the world.

Please note – a deposit of £125 is required with the choices form for this trip



Go Outdoors

Year 7/8

£220

DAY TRIPS

You will spend a fun-filled week in the Great Outdoors. Each day we will be going to Beaumanor Hall each day and partaking in a variety of fun experiences that will test your skills in many ways - both physically and mentally. We will be doing Archery, Climbing and Abseiling, Survival skills (any future Bear Grylls out there?), Bridge Building, Canoeing, Land Buggies, various Team Challenges, Orienteering and finally the High Ropes. It will be an action packed week! Get ready for some fun in the outdoors.

Flash

Year 7/8/9

£200

DAY TRIPS

Do you want to challenge yourself across a range of skills and activities? We'll be using skis, mountain bikes, ropes, paddleboards and canoes to get the adrenalin pumping all week. We will also be capturing all of the action on camera with daily challenges to develop and practice photographic skills and techniques to enable you to capture special moments, whilst taking part in a wide range of energetic and thrilling activities. This programme offers a variety of day trips within the local area, including: mountain biking, a high-wire assault course, zip wire and rock climbing, just to name a few! If you're up for outdoor fun, challenging yourself and have a flair for photography, this trip is for you. It is advised that you have your own camera or phone to capture your images and take part in the competition of the week!

Don't Stop Moving!

Year 8/9

£230

DAY TRIPS

Can't keep still? Then this might be the course for you! This active programme looks at working both independently and as a team through a variety of challenges that will keep you moving. The course provides opportunity to:

- Improve your hand eye coordination
- Develop skills in the water
- Discover how stealthy you are
- Experience different physical challenges
- Enjoy working both your body and mind!

On this series of day trips, you will visit places like Waterworld, Go Ape, Ninja Warrior, Adrenaline Jungle and Delta force. Be prepared to 'Don't stop moving'!

You **must** be a competent swimmer to participate on this trip.



Horsing Around

Year 7/8/9

£295

DAY TRIPS

If you've always wanted to learn to ride a horse or if you have ridden before and are keen to develop your skills, then this is the activity for you! We will spend the week at Lychgate Equestrian Centre where you will have a daily riding lesson and learn how to look after and care for your pony. Activities will include learning how to groom, plait, tack up and everyone's favourite...mucking out!



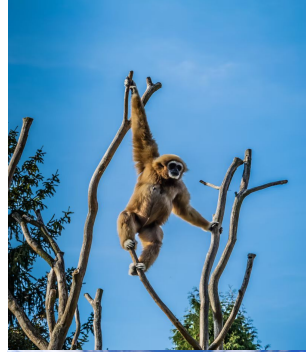
Animal Antics

Year 7/8/9

£135

DAY TRIPS

Do you love animals of all shapes and sizes? Do you fancy getting up close with creepy crawlies, mischievous monkeys, pretty parrots and colourful clownfish? Then Animal Antics is the one for you! During the week you'll explore the wonderful world of animals at Pukkapacas, Twycross Zoo, Birmingham Sea Life Centre and Tropical Birdland. You'll discover the amazing conservation and research work being undertaken around the world and wonder at the colourful diversity of animals that we share planet Earth with. So, get your place booked and come and have fun walking an Alpaca!



The Redmoor Sewing Bee

Year 7/8/9

£50

DAY TRIPS & SCHOOL BASED

You have watched the TV series, now join in the fun. Have a go at designing an outfit. Join us on a trip to Leicester market to haggle over the price of the fabric for your garments. Browse the designer shops for inspiration. We will visit the New Walk museum for a look at some historical garments as far back as ancient Egypt. We will take part in a charity shop challenge, where we use a limited budget to dress for a special occasion. You will learn many new and useful skills, so whether you are an experienced sewer or are new to the machine, you will finish with an outfit to be proud of and have great fun along the way.



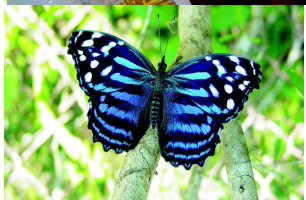
Wildlife Week

Year 7/8/9

£33

DAY TRIPS & SCHOOL BASED

If you love being outdoors and getting close to nature, Wildlife Week is for you! During the week you will have the chance to go pond dipping, and practice a variety of other survey techniques used by professional ecologists. We will visit an RSPB nature reserve to do some bird watching and identification and Birmingham Sea Life Centre to see some marine wildlife up close. You will also have the opportunity to design and make seed bombs and bug hotels which you can take home to turn your own garden into a wildlife oasis.



History Alive

Year 7/8/9

£110

DAY TRIPS & SCHOOL BASED FOR ONE DAY

Do you love history? Are you interested in the history we can find right here in the Midlands? On History Alive we will travel from Medieval times through Shakespearean England and right up to the history from 1945 to the present, with a stop off in our local area. We will spend one day preparing and researching in school and then enjoy four historically based day trips. These will include a day in Stratford upon Avon, a day at the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire and visits to two local areas which feature heavily in the history of our country. If you have an inquiring mind, an enthusiasm for learning about the past and a desire to discover more about history, History Alive is for you.



Eat, Sleep, Craft, Repeat

Year 7/8/9

£35

DAY TRIPS & SCHOOL BASED

If you enjoy being creative and would like to learn a new craft, join us for a week of fun and creativity!

We will spend the week making exciting mini projects to take home using a variety of materials. Also there will be opportunities to attend off site workshops where an expert will help you achieve a new skill. It will be hands on and practical, allowing your inspiration, creativity and imagination to flourish. You will work individually or as part of a team, with the opportunity to make new friends with similar interests in imaginative design.



Redmoor Experience

Year 7/8/9

Free

MOSTLY SCHOOL BASED WITH POSSIBLE OUTINGS

We will be running a week of activities that are offered at no cost and will predominantly be school-based. There will be a rolling programme of activities that each student will get to experience throughout the week. Our aim is to provide valuable, varied and relevant experiences which will both challenge and enhance the lives of those taking part. These may include experiences around sport, music, catering, and many more.



REC 2022/23 - Parent Information

Redmoor Enrichment Course (REC) is an integral part of the curriculum, therefore all students in Yrs 7, 8 & 9 will be allocated one of the courses on offer for 2022/23.

Terms and Conditions:

All students will be given an opportunity to discuss with staff the courses on offer. Once the allocation process has taken place, **please be aware that there will be no opportunity to change courses and all deposits paid are non refundable.**

In order to secure coach travel and accommodation for our domestic residential trips, **we will require an advance deposit payment of £125 by Sunday 6th November** to be paid through ParentMail - this facility will go live on Friday 14th October 2022. **This deposit must be made at the time of submitting your child's choices and if not received, your child will not be considered for the trip.** If your child is not then allocated a place on one of these trips, your deposit can either be carried forward towards their allocated trip or refunded and the agreed payment schedule will come into action.

Please note that although we have made every effort to ensure that the pricing of trips are as accurate as possible, they may be subject to change due to the current unstable financial climate. Parents will be notified if there are any changes.

Each student must select three options - limited to two residentials and one non residential. They will be allocated one of their three options. We are not able to guarantee allocations on any particular trip and previous REC trip allocations might be taken into consideration. The Google Options Form will be emailed to your son/daughter's school email account, which they can access via the school website. Can you please complete this with your son/daughter before the **deadline date of Sunday 6th November 2022.** If you have any difficulties accessing this form, your son/daughter can obtain a hard copy from Student Reception.

Students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding will automatically receive a £50 discount on the course of their choice. If Pupil Premium students choose Redmoor Experience or one of the courses which costs less than £50 the saved money will be used by the school to support their academic development in other ways. If you think your child may be eligible for free school meals (and therefore Pupil Premium funding), please contact the Pupil Premium team at school who can advise how to apply.

Polite reminder to Parents/Carers:

A specific payment schedule is allocated to each REC trip and it is important to make payments on or before the due dates. Your full support with this enables us to secure external providers and book tickets and coaches in advance of REC week.

If you experience difficulties with your payment schedule, please contact a member of the REC team in the first instance in order to discuss your concerns.

Miss E Smart, Mrs S Green and Miss J Callier

PROPOSED PAYMENT SCHEDULES FOR REC 2023

Edinburgh - £515

Deposit by 6th November - £125.00

31st Dec - £78.00

31st Jan - £78.00

28th Feb - £78.00

31st March - £78.00

30th April - £78.00

Welsh Adventure - £465

Deposit by 6th November - £125

31st Dec - £68.00

31st Jan - £68.00

28th Feb - £68.00

31st March - £68.00

30th April - £68.00

Surf's Up - £470

Deposit by 6th November - £125.00

31st Dec - £69.00

31st Jan - £69.00

28th Feb - £69.00

31st March - £69.00

30th April - £69.00

PGL - £570

Deposit by 6th November- £125.00

31st Dec - £89.00

31st Jan - £89.00

28th Feb - £89.00

31st March - £89.00

30th April - £89.00

Cosmopolitan Adventure - £510

Deposit by 6th November- £125.00

31st Dec - £77.00

31st Jan - £77.00

28th Feb - £77.00

31st March - £77.00

30th April - £77.00

Italy - £850

Deposit by 6th November- £125.00

31st Dec - £145.00

31st Jan - £145.00

28th Feb - £145.00

31st March - £145.00

30th April - £145.00

History Alive - £110

Deposit by 6th December - £30.00

31st Jan - £20.00

28th Feb - £20.00

31st March - £20.00

30th April - £20.00

Wildlife Week - £33

Deposit by 6th December - £18.00

31st Jan - £15.00

The Great Redmoor Sewing Bee - £50

Deposit by 6th December - £20.00

31st Jan - £10.00

28th Feb - £10.00

31st March - £10.00

Horsing Around - £295

Deposit by 6th December - £75.00

31st Jan - £55.00

28th Feb - £55.00

31st March - £55.00

30th April - £55.00

Eat, Sleep, Craft, Repeat - £35

Deposit by 6th December - £15.00

31st Jan - £10.00

28th Feb - £10.00

Animal Antics - £135

Deposit by 6th December - £35.00

31st Jan - £25.00

28th Feb - £25.00

31st March - £25.00

30th April - £25.00

Don't Stop Moving - £230

Deposit by 6th December - £70.00

31st Jan - £40.00

28th Feb - £40.00

31st March - £40.00

30th April - £40.00

Flash - £200

Deposit by 6th December - £60.00

31st Jan - £35.00

28th Feb - £35.00

31st March - £35.00

30th April - £35.00

Go Outdoors - £225

Deposit by 6th December- £65.00

31st Jan - £40.00

28th Feb - £40.00

31st March - £40.00

30th April - £40.00

REC Options Form 2022/23

Please tick 3 options from the trip list below with no ranking in order of preference:

Animal Antics	
Cosmopolitan Adventure	
Don't Stop Moving	
Eat, Sleep, Craft, Repeat	
Edinburgh	
Flash	
Go Outdoors	
History Alive	
Horsing Around	
Italy	
PGL Isle Of Wight	
Redmoor Experience	
Redmoor Sewing Bee	
Surf's Up	
Welsh Adventure	
Wildlife Week	

Student Name: _____ Tutor group: _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____