

15 September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers

Rock Climbing Course to Support AQA GCSE PE**Total cost: £176****Payment required by Friday 20 November 2026**

As part of our continued drive to improve practical marks on the GCSE PE course, we have booked a three day rock climbing course at **The Essex Outdoor Centre** on **Monday 1, Tuesday 2 and Thursday 4 February 2027** for a group of our **Year 11 GCSE PE** students. If we are unable to fill the available places, any remaining places will then be offered to Year 10 GCSE PE students.

The purpose of this visit is to give students an opportunity to be assessed in an alternative sport that we cannot offer at Parmiter's. Please note, although students will follow a course led by trained instructors, it is not guaranteed that they will achieve a mark that is better than the sports covered in school. This will still be dependent on the individual student's skill level and application to the course.

Students will need to wear their school PE kit and bring a packed lunch each day. We will travel by minibus, leaving Parmiter's at 8.15am and returning at approximately 5.00pm. ***The course starts and finishes outside the timings of the normal school day, so please make alternative arrangements for your child to travel to and from school on the specified days.***

We strongly encourage students to take advantage of this opportunity to enhance their performance in this component of the course, especially those aiming to achieve a higher individual sport mark.

The cost of this visit is **£176.00** and includes travel, all equipment, training and an assessment at the end of the course. If your child would like to take part in this event, please make your payment via [WisePay](#) (under Trips & Visits) by **Friday 20 November 2026**.

Places are limited and will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. *Please note that priority will be given to those students who have not previously attended the course.*

By paying, you are consenting to your child taking part in the above school trip. Please ensure the school is fully aware of any medical concerns you may have, under separate cover. Please note: parents must provide all in date medication for their child, for example, Epipens, antihistamines and asthma inhalers, for the trip. Students must have their medication with them at all times, if needed.

If you have any questions in this regard, then please do not hesitate to email b.swaile@parmiters.herts.sch.uk.

Yours sincerely

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