

FAB (Flourish, Achieve & Build) 2026 (Wednesday 15th July- Thursday 16th July 2026)

Further details: Google Classroom uxvcf4wi or School Website : www.swakeleys.hillingdon.sch.uk/

I am delighted to be contacting you with information regarding this year's FAB activities. We have a range of trips that offer varied opportunities for all students. Based on feedback from students, parents and staff, this year there will be a selection of trips and activities available exclusively to each year group, all with a particular theme and linked to one of our school values:

- Year 7 New Places, New Faces (Diverse)
- Year 8 Stepping Out of Your Comfort Zone (Resilient)
- Year 9 Finding Your Independence (Trust)
- Year 10 Fun With Friends and Making Memories (Kind)

Sign up process:

The sign up process will take place electronically and will commence on Friday 6th February and will last until Wednesday 11th February. **It is important to stress that places will NOT be allocated on a first come first served basis so you and your child will have time to consider what they would most like to do.** There is high demand for some trips and so whilst we do our best to allocate according to preferences, we are not able to guarantee your child their first choice.

Trip confirmation:

Students will find out just after half term which trip they have been allocated to and will have their trip confirmed via a paper ticket that they will bring home with them. At this stage there will be a short window of opportunity to swap trips. Shortly after this, the payment for their trip will then appear on Parentpay. **In order to secure their place, parents will be expected to pay in full by midnight on Friday 1st May.**

Trip Pricing:

There is a range of prices and some activities have no cost. Please note that all students eligible for pupil premium; those receiving free school meals, forces families, adopted children and looked after children are expected to pay a 50% contribution towards the cost of the trips requiring payment. Any cost is clearly stated in the booklet. **If you have concerns about paying for the trip then you can ask for support, via email to the school office, and we will try to accommodate this.**

Key Points:

- It is important to note that your child's behaviour leading up to this event may affect the activity they are allowed to participate in.
- These days will form part of your daughter's attendance figures. Those who take unauthorised absence during these days may receive a penalty notice. All students are therefore expected to sign up to and take part in a trip/activity.

Last day of term:

On the Friday 17th July 2026 students will complete their evaluations of FAB from **home**. To be clear no register will be taken of students by school on Friday 17th July. We will have celebration assemblies in school before FAB week starts and students will be able to clear out their lockers etc before they go on any FAB trips.

Next Steps:

What do I need to do to do now?

- Check your daughter has joined the FAB Google Classroom: uxvcf4wi
- Read through the online activities booklet with your child and rank the activities from 1 to 3.
- Fill in the correct year group online application form. The link to these are in the FAB Google Classroom.

If you have any questions regarding any of the activities outlined in the programme, please feel free to contact me.

I know this will be an exciting and rewarding event, which will enrich the learning of all students involved and enable the students to have a fun-filled end to the academic year.

Yours faithfully,

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