Dear Parent/Carer January 2024

FAB (Flourish, Achieve & Build) 2024 (Wednesday 17th July- Thursday 18th July 2024)

We are 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. They will encounter events and activities that will challenge, stimulate and educate them. Students will develop skills such as problem solving and team work in an informal setting, as well as having a great deal of fun! All students in Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 will be involved in their chosen activity.

Based on feedback from both students and staff, this year there are a number of new trips on offer, including Chessington, roller skating and Gripped London.

The sign up process as with last year will take place electronically and will commence on Thursday 1st February 2024. The initial sign up window will last until Thursday 8th February. It is important to stress that places however will NOT be allocated on a first come first serve basis so you and your child will have time to consider what they would most like to do.

Students will find out after half term which trip they have been allocated to and will have their trip confirmed via a paper receipt that they will bring home with them. Shortly after this the payment for their trip will then appear on Parentpay. In order to secure their place, parents will be expected to finalise payment for their trip using Parentpay by Tuesday 7th May. The full price range of these trips will be from £0 - £64. 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 contribution towards the cost of the trips requiring payment (some options have no cost). Any cost is clearly stated in the booklet. If you have concerns about paying for the trip then you can ask for support via the sign up form and a member of staff will contact you. Where students are booked onto trips/activities we do expect students to attend. Thank you in advance for your support.

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. We therefore require that your child ranks five trips from first to fifth on the electronic sign up form. 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.

Events will take place over two days (Wed 17th July & Thurs 18th July). These are normal school days and 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.

On the Friday of FAB week last year students attended school for a morning session and attendance was very low. We have reflected on this and this year we are going to trial enabling students to complete their evaluation of FAB week from **home** on Friday 19th July 2024 – to be clear no register will be taken of students by school on Friday 19th 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 week trips.

What do I need to do to do now?

- Check your daughter has joined the FAB Google Classroom: sfuubcp
- Read through the online activities booklet with your child and rank the activities from 1 to 5.
- From Thurs 1st Feb you can fill in the online preferences form. The link to this is in the FAB Google Classroom.
- Bring in the attached consent form, fully completed and signed by Wed 7th Feb. Without it, your child cannot be allocated a place on an activity. Please hand this form in to your form tutor.

All of the information pertaining to FAB 2024, including full details of each trip and prices, can also be found on the School Website on: www.swakeleys.hillingdon.sch.uk/

If you have any questions regarding any of the activities outlined in the programme, please feel free to contact either of us at school.

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

Yours faithfully,

F.S. Johnson

Ms Fiona Johnson & Ms Helena Allan

Reply slip: Full Name of student______ Form _____ ☐ I give permission for my child to go on the selected trips of the online Google Form and we have selected 5 different choices. ☐ I give permission for her to be treated by a medical practitioner in my absence, including the use of anaesthetics where necessary. ☐ I agree to paying the cost of the trip allocated from the choices selected (if applicable). ☐ I can confirm that the school has up to date emergency contact details. Parent/carer signature: _____ Date: _____ Medical Details (please tick one box) ☐ My daughter does not have any medical requirements and is not currently on any medication. (Please go straight to the next section) ☐ My daughter does have medical requirements and/or medication she takes which I have outlined below. I will ensure that she carries any appropriate medication with her. If you have not filled in a medication form, you will need to do so. A link to this can be found with the link to the trip choice form.