



23 May 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

#### **Year 8 Enrichment Week**

We are pleased to be able to write with the final arrangements for the Year 8 Enrichment Week. We hope that you will find all of the information required in this letter, please do contact the Enrichment Team if you have any further questions regarding the week.

The week will include the following activities: -

#### **Monday 9 June**

CSI Pulse will be in school delivering advanced secondary workshops on forensic science, students will learn all about fingerprinting, DNA strands, hair and fibres and using UV lights. Students will then work in teams and use these skills to investigate a crime scene and discover who the main suspect is.

**Students need to be in full school uniform. Normal break and lunchtime arrangements will operate on this day.**

**Tuesday 10 June and Thursday 12 June** We will be splitting the year into two groups.

One group will be visiting Audley End House as part of a local History unit entitled: 'How much history does Audley End hold: what can this site reveal about Britain's past?' Students will have the opportunity to learn about key events in Britain's history through the eyes of this English heritage run estate filled with treasures and rich stories from the past.' This group will be back in time for school buses.

**Full school uniform should be worn and a packed lunch brought on this day. There is a small gift shop which sells ice creams at Audley End, a small amount of money may be brought on this day.**

The second group will be visiting Milton Country Park for a multisport activity day. This will include water sports such as kayaking, standup paddle boarding as well as Laser Tag. This group will be back in time for school buses.

Please complete the [Milton Country Park Activities Waiver Form](#) for your child to take part in the watersports, please put Linton Village College as the group name. **This form MUST be completed by 5<sup>th</sup> June.** If Milton does not receive a response before **5<sup>th</sup> June** your child will not be able to take part in the water activities.

**Please ensure that old clothing is worn including shoes (water shoes are ideal). Trainers will be needed for laser tag. A bag should be brought to put wet clothes in after the activities. Please provide a packed lunch for this trip.**

**Groupings for Tuesday and Thursday:**

**Tuesday Audley End/Thursday Milton Country Park**

8KM  
8RD  
8LKA  
8SM

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**Tuesday Milton Country Park/Thursday Audley End**

8NAS  
8IW  
8ZS  
8TD

**Wednesday 11 June**

Students will have the opportunity to challenge themselves with an in-school activity led by Explore Outdoors. The expert leaders will coordinate pupils in a range of activities including archery, axe throwing, climbing and fire lighting.

**Students need to be in full PE Kit. Normal break and lunchtime arrangements will operate on this day.**

**Thursday 12 June**

Please see the details for Thursday under Tuesday's heading.

**Friday 13 June**

We will end the week by visiting Colchester Zoo, set in 60 acres of parklands. Colchester is home to over 155 different species, students will have the opportunity to learn about endangered animals and the different habitats they call home.

We will be leaving the College at 8.30am and aim to return at approximately 5.30pm.

**Full school uniform should be worn.** A packed lunch brought on this day. There is a small gift shop and a small amount of money may be brought on this day.

For those students who are remaining in school, the Year 8 activities detailed above on the Monday and Wednesday will be participated in. Remaining students on the Tuesday and Thursday will participate in organised team-building activities, and on Friday they will participate in a forest school activity.

We hope that your child enjoys this valuable learning experience throughout the week. Please do not hesitate to contact the team if you have any further questions.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs V Thomas, Ms C Mayzes, Mrs H Frost  
Enrichment Week coordinators

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**IMPORTANT for all days:**

Packed Lunches – Cannot include nuts or chewing gum. If your child is entitled to Free School Meals they will be provided with a packed lunch.

Mobile Phones - For all trips out of school, students are allowed to take their mobile phones, but they must not use them to go on social media sites or to take photos of other students without their permission. Students are responsible for their own phones and any loss or damage will not be covered by our insurance.

Spending money – Students may take a small amount of spending money on days out, no more than £10; however, staff cannot take responsibility for this.

Clothing expectations – These have been added to each day, please also ensure students are weather ready with plenty of sunscreen, waterproof clothing and water to stay hydrated throughout the week.

**DISCIPLINE CODE OF CONDUCT – VISITS**

Whilst on a trip or activity off the College premises your child is expected to set a good example and be an ambassador for Linton Village College. Itemised below is the code of conduct that your child is expected to follow.

Where there are concerns around a student's behaviour leading up to the trip or visit, a behaviour support plan will be implemented by heads of year in advance of the trip's departure. Students who do not meet the behaviour expectations will not, for their own safety or safety of others, be included on the visit

- Instructions of staff must be followed without delay at all times.
- No inappropriate use of the internet e.g. websites or cyber-bullying.
- No photographs or videos of people without their permission.
- Students are not allowed to smoke or vape.
- Alcoholic drinks are not allowed to be purchased or consumed.
- Drugs (legal and illegal) are not allowed to be carried, purchased or used.
- Punctuality is essential. Students must be ready for all programmed activities.
- Students are expected to be polite and well-mannered at all times.

Any serious breach of this discipline code could lead to the following: -

- Parents to be contacted and exclusion from daytime activities
- In the most extreme cases if the group leader determines it necessary, your child may be sent Home at the parent's expense. This may involve you collecting your child from the venue.
- The Principal of the College or SLT emergency contact will be consulted before any action is taken.

While travelling by coach or Minibus students should:

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- Sit on a seat facing the front
- Wear their seat belts properly
- Not chew gum
- Not use the ashtrays
- Put any rubbish in the bags provided
- Only get out of their seats in an emergency (i.e. feeling ill)
- Only use personal devices to listen to music with headphones

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