



Adventure and Skills Academy

7th September 2018

Dear Parents of children in Years 5, 6 and 7

I write to invite you to apply for a place for your child in our Adventure and Skills Academy (ASA) for the coming academic year. ASA allows children to access a wide, varied range of activities and includes a camping trip for each year group. These activities are listed on the following page, though there may be possible changes as the year progresses. Year 7 Children will work towards gaining the Sports Leaders UK Playmaker award, the first award on the Sports Leaders UK scheme. This will be a stepping stone towards qualifications such as Sports Leader level One and Two and Duke of Edinburgh's awards, qualifications that many children will follow in their chosen senior schools.

The sessions are held on **selected** Friday evenings from 4:05pm until 5:30pm during the autumn and spring terms. It does not take place in the summer term. Timetables will be sent home via email, displayed on the ASA board in the Dearnaley building and on the school website. The timetable has been designed to take into account the ever increasing demands on our children with matches, rehearsals and performances. However, it is possible that your child may not be able to participate in some sessions due to representing the school in other activities and matches. Each group will participate in approximately 8 sessions during the autumn term and 6 sessions during the spring term, with the camping trips taking place in the summer term.

Pupils will be expected to attend regularly and to behave appropriately, meeting the expectations and code of conduct of the school. Children will be registered and behaviour noted throughout and any pupil not meeting expectations will be asked to leave the scheme; however, I strongly believe that this will not be necessary.

The cost of the scheme this year is **£95** and includes a new Academy t-shirt and jacket for Year 5 pupils, replacement t-shirt and fleece for those in years 6 and 7 who have outgrown their old ones, camping trip and all resources and sessions.

For each session children are expected to wear their academy t-shirt, tracksuit or jogging bottoms (or sports shorts if the weather is good), jacket and trainers. This is to ensure that the children are dressed appropriately for the activities in which they are participating. Additional t-shirts and jackets will be available to purchase if so required.

If you would like your child to participate in the scheme, please return the reply slip and cheque for **£95** (made payable to "Town Close Educational Trust Ltd" and "ASA" and your child's name written on the back) to the school office. The deadline for return of reply slips will be **Wednesday 12th September**. You will then receive a timetable for the autumn term with sessions starting on Friday 21st September.



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I hope that your child will be able to participate in this unique, stimulating and rewarding scheme as there is a very exciting and varied selection of activities being provided by our dedicated and inspiring staff.

Yours sincerely

Mr. M. Woods
Head of Physical Education and Activities

	<u>Activities (subject to change)</u>	
<u>Year 5</u>	<u>Year 6</u>	<u>Year 7</u>
Fire Building	First Aid	Debating
Cooking	Cooking	Tranjer Cooking
Zen Doodle	Orienteering	Ripstik Street Surfing
Archery	Silver Service	S L UK Playmaker Award
Community Project	Map Reading	Zen Doodle
Camp Craft	Camp Craft	Camp Craft
Bread Making	Archery	
Swimming	Open Fire Cooking	
Ripstik Street Surfing	Zen Doodle	
First Aid		



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Please return this slip to Mr M Woods, c/o the School Office, by **Wednesday 12th September**.

I would like my child _____ Class _____
(name in block capitals)

to participate in The Adventure and Skills Academy this academic year and have enclosed a cheque made payable to Town Close Educational Trust Ltd - ASA for £95.

Signed _____ Date _____