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Year 7 residential to Plas Menai- October 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are very much looking forward to welcoming your daughter into our Loreto community and are very proud of our induction programme. An integral part of this is our three-day residential visit to Plas Menai in Caernarfon, Wales, which combines a retreat experience with outdoor sports activities. The forms will visit during one of three trips, which will take place from 5-7 October, 7-9 October and 12-14 October. Exact dates for each form will be confirmed in September and we expect all pupils to attend. Further information about the centre can be found on [their website](#).

This visit offers pupils the opportunity to get to know each other and their form tutor better in an informal environment. Pupils will take part in structured activities throughout the day and evening, with a focus on team building and collaboration. The activities have yet to be confirmed with the centre but are likely to include paddle boarding, sailing, climbing and mountain biking. The activities will be organised by the Plas Menai staff who are fully qualified in leading the activities. Each activity group will also be accompanied by a member of Loreto staff.

The cost, including accommodation, meals, transport and activities is estimated to be £290.00 per student. The first meal provided by the centre will be a packed lunch on the first day, and the last meal provided by the centre will be packed lunch on the last day. Consent and a non-refundable deposit of £100 is required by Friday 24th April. Two further payments of £95 are due on Friday 22nd May and Friday 26th June. These payments should be made using ScoPay, our online payments system. We will send you details of how to access ScoPay in the coming weeks.

In compliance with the Education Act of 1996, visits during school hours are funded on a voluntary contribution basis but schools can charge for board and lodging. No student will be excluded from the activity or treated differently because they do not make a contribution towards the cost of the transport and activities, however if voluntary contributions are not sufficient then it may be that the planned activity or trip cannot go ahead. By giving consent for your child to attend this trip we will assume that the full amount of the voluntary contribution and chargeable cost will be made, unless we hear from you to the contrary.

If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium and you would like support with the cost of this trip, please contact our Finance Department via september2026@loretogrammar.co.uk.

In September, there will be a parents' meeting to provide further information about the visit. At this meeting, you will also receive an information pack containing a list of items which your daughter should pack, details regarding the extent and limitations of the insurance policy which is included in the cost of the trip, and you will also be asked to complete a detailed form containing emergency contact information and medical/dietary requirements.

I look forward to welcoming you and your daughter to our Loreto community in July.

Best wishes,

Mrs Stokes
Assistant Headteacher (Curriculum and Assessment)

Be such as you appear and appear such as you are – Mary Ward

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