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## Venture Centre Information Sheet

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Date: Wednesday 12th July – Friday 14th July

### Travel Arrangements:

Travel by coach to and from The Venture Centre:

- Leaving Onchan at approximately 9.30am on Wednesday. *Children should be dropped off at School at 8:40 sharp on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July.*
- Returning to Onchan at approximately 3:15pm on Friday. The children will disembark the bus, collect their bags and assemble on the cage to have medication etc returned. *Please wait until your child is dismissed by their teacher before collecting them.*

### Food

The Venture Centre provides three meals per day. They try to be as accommodating as possible and there are always a variety of options. However, if your child is a fussy eater, please discuss with them the fact that they may need to be a little more adventurous than usual. A sample menu can be found at <a href="https://www.venturecentre.im/page\_95766.shtml">https://www.venturecentre.im/page\_95766.shtml</a>. This gives you an idea of what is available but remember that this is an indication only and the actual meals on any given day may well differ. Please ensure we have been made aware of any genuine special dietary requirements beforehand (this should be included on the medical form). There is always plenty to eat so please do not provide your child with additional food. There is a tuck shop for snacks, drinks and small souvenirs (see below).

#### Money

Your child may bring a maximum of £6 to be spent at the tuck shop. This must be handed to their group leader on the morning of Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>, prior to departing from school. This will be placed in a clear, labelled money bag and handed out for use at tuck shop only if there is time available and at the discretion of the accompanying teaching staff. Any unspent money will be returned at the end of the trip.

#### **Valuables**

No valuables should be brought to the Centre. This includes mobile phones, other electronic devices, expensive watches or jewellery of any kind. Any valuables found will be confiscated and looked after by the group leader until our return.

# **Medication**

Please bring any medication into school <u>on or before Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July and not on the morning of the trip</u>. This needs to be in a clearly labelled bag or container, with clear instructions for administration times and amount needed. If your child suffers from travel sickness, please ensure you have given appropriate medication prior to leaving home; if the same is required for the return journey, these should be given to staff prior to departure and mentioned on the medical form as for all other medication. All staff at the Centre are qualified in First Aid. Please ensure 2 inhalers are provided for all asthma sufferers: one to be carried by the child and a spare to be carried by their group leader. The same applies to epi-pens.

#### **Activities**

The activities will include some or all of the following: Abseiling/climbing, agility course, air rifle shooting, archery, crate stacking, fire lighting/bushcraft skills, gorge walking, raft building, team games, wide games, coastal walk. The precise itinerary may be subject to change depending on conditions, time available and at the discretion of teaching and Venture Centre staff.

#### **Accommodation**

Children will be accommodated in single sex dorms. The classes will be mixed and children will not be able to choose who they share a dorm with. We will endeavour to ensure that all children share a dorm with at least one good friend. All school party leaders sleep in separate rooms nearby. All dorm doors have a code lock for security purposes.

# **Communication**

Children will not be allowed to bring mobile phones. Please call the centre on 814240 if you need to speak to your child or a member of staff.