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Dear Parent

The Playground – Waterbeach, Cambridge - Thursday 23 October 2025

We are pleased to tell you that a curriculum trip has been arranged for Year 7 to visit The Playground, at Waterbeach in Cambridgeshire.

Students will take part in a team building activity. There are 30 obstacles over a 1km course where they will work in teams to reach the finish line. They will also play a number of games including: Tug O'War; Tractor Tyre Flips; Giant Noughts & Crosses; Car Tyre Course Challenge; Muddy Ditch Relays. The trip will be physically, mentally and emotionally challenging. Students will need to bring a packed lunch and change of clothes. Please do not allow your child to wear their best shoes or clothes for the course - it will be muddy!

This trip will take place during the school day, arriving back to Smithdon by 3pm.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and would like a packed lunch provided by the canteen, please indicate this on the online Google form below.

The cost of the trip is **£32** per student.

If you would like for your child to take part in this trip, please complete the online Google form: <https://forms.gle/p3Re7iPRCi5KwGcNA> and make the payment on MCAS by **Friday 3 October 2025**. Your child's place will **not** be secured until you have made the payment and completed the online form.

In the event your child is unable to attend or you subsequently fail to make any payments, any instalments paid to date will be non-refundable* (unless a suitable replacement can be found to take your child's place).

If assistance is required with the cost of this visit, please email j.jackson@smithdonhigh.org.uk to obtain an application form for the school's Learner Support Fund.

If insufficient contributions are raised to fund this trip, the school reserves the right to cancel this excursion. Further remittance advice is available within the school's charging and remittance policy available on the school website and parents are encouraged to refer to this.

Please note that each child's place on the trip is dependent on them maintaining high levels of attendance and meeting Smithdon's behaviour expectations. If allocated a place, Smithdon High School reserves the right to withdraw your child's place at any time, if either of these things become a concern. In this instance, any payments made will be non-refundable unless a suitable replacement is found.

Yours sincerely

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Assistant Headteacher

*Except in the event of a medical condition preventing participation. In these circumstances a claim should be made to the school's

travel insurer, please contact the school directly and they will assist with your claim (please note confirmation from your doctor will be required).