



EDUCATION, LEISURE & HOUSING

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Visit to Orkney College Maritime Studies Department, Stromness; Thursday 10th June 2021

At Stromness Academy we are pleased to be able to deliver a curriculum which responds to our local community and labour market. As befits our position next to the sea, we offer all pupils in S2 a day at the Orkney College Maritime Studies Department in Stromness (the Nav School). The day comprises of 4 sessions: Boating, Navigation, First Aid and RNLI. As well as providing useful skills in itself, this day gives pupils a taster of activities at the Maritime Studies Department, to help inform the choices they will make in S3 for their S4 studies.

Your child will be taking part in the above excursion away from the school. This trip is classified as Level 1 or 2 according to the Education Department's Excursion Policy and as such is covered by the general consent which you gave at the start of the school year. The class will travel on foot to and from the Maritime Studies Department. They will be accompanied by school staff in addition to the session instructors. Covid precautions will be the same as in school; pupils will be required to wear face coverings at all times indoors, keep 2m distancing from staff, to sanitise their hands and clean equipment used.

If weather permits, pupils will have the opportunity to use the college's small boats. This will be done under supervision and while wearing safety equipment that will be supplied by the college. Pupils should wear suitable outdoor shoes and rain jackets. Before commencing, pupils will be briefed regarding safety procedures and suitable behaviour. We will cancel and reschedule this event if the weather is particularly poor.

Pupils will remain at the Maritime Studies Department over lunch. They may take a packed lunch (supplied from home or school) with them or bring a small amount of money to buy lunch in Stromness. Please let the school office know by Monday 7th June if your child would like a school packed lunch. Pupils will walk back to school in time for the end of the school day, to meet normal school transport. If it is more appropriate for your child to head home directly from the Nav School, please complete and return the slip below, or email admin.sa@glow.orkneyschools.org.uk to give your consent to this.

If you have any queries or if you would prefer your child not to take part in this excursion, please contact me at the school.

Yours sincerely

Belinda Morrison, Depute Head, S2 Head of Year



S2 Visit to Orkney College Maritime Studies Dept, Stromness, Thurs 10th June 2021

Consent to go directly home at the end of the visit

Please complete this form if you wish your child to make their own way home from the Maritime Studies Department; if we do not receive parental consent, on this form or by email, your child will be required to return to school at the end of the day.

I give my consent for _____ (pupil's name) to make their own way home from the Maritime Studies Department at the end of the visit (approx. 3:15pm).

_____ Parent/Carer Signature

_____ Parent/Carer Name