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Dear Parent / Guardian

Years 10 - 13 SCOTLAND EXPEDITION – THE JOHN MUIR AWARD – 16-23 July 2023

Following our exciting announcement of The John Muir Award, we wanted to get in touch with some more information for those who were unable to join the information session on Teams.

On Thursday evening, Josh and Emily from The Living Project introduced us to The John Muir Award which encourages people to connect with, enjoy and care for wild places. It is an environmental award scheme which is inclusive, accessible and non-competitive. The award is based on four challenges – Discover, Explore, Conserve and Share. You can find out more about John Muir [here](#).

In order to achieve their award, students will be travelling to the Knoydart Peninsula in Scotland, known as the UK's 'last true wilderness' for an 8-day adventure exploring the remote wilds of this incredible landscape.

For those who missed the Teams call, please do take some time to look through the attached presentation. You can also get a feel of what to expect from the trip by watching this [video](#).

Cost: There are **15 places** available and the cost of this trip is **£829** and includes food, fully qualified instructors, all group/emergency equipment, and transport. *We would not wish boys to be excluded from the trip for purely financial reasons. If you feel that the cost involved is prohibitive, please do contact me in strictest confidence as there may be funding available to assist you.*

If you wish your son to take part in the trip, please **log on to Parent Pay and select 'The John Muir Award' by Friday 25th November** to pay the first instalment of £100. There are limited spaces available on the trip so the **final allocation of spaces will be on a first come, first served basis**.

Finally, I would be happy to answer any questions you may have by email (address below).

Yours sincerely,

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