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Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Contributions to Curriculum Enrichment activities – Year 8

During the course of the year we have four Curriculum Enrichment Days where the students have the opportunity to take part in activities that would not normally be part of the curriculum. The timetable is collapsed for the day and we run a morning session, 8.30am – 11.30am and an afternoon session 12.30pm – 3.25pm. The activities are designed to enrich the curriculum and help the students learn in different contexts.

All the activities planned for Year 8 this year require the students to focus on skills for success. The Skills for Success initiative aims to help students become better and more independent learners. Students will work on cross-curricular themes, work related learning, have outside speakers covering topical issues as well as the opportunity to take part in off-site visits.

To enhance in-school activities on these days, we arrange for guest speakers, theatre companies and agencies to come and give talks, take workshops and lead sessions. These activities often require a morning or whole day which cannot be accommodated within the normal school timetable. As you will see there are also some day trips available and information about these will be issued prior to the trip with full details of costing and arrangements.

To enable us to give each student the opportunity to benefit from these activities, we are requesting a voluntary contribution towards the cost. Feedback from parents has suggested that, rather than requesting contributions be made prior to each activity during the course of the year, we should request one payment to be made at the start of the academic year (this will not include offsite trips or activities during Curriculum Enrichment Week in July).

In response to this feedback we are, therefore, requesting a total contribution of £10 towards these activities during Year 8. This is a voluntary contribution but, without your continued support, it would be very difficult for the school to provide such a wide range of opportunities. Our preferred option is for you to pay online. Our online payment system can be accessed via the School Portal on the front page of the Beaumont School website or at **www.scopay.com/beaumont**. If you pay in this way there is no need to return any paperwork to school. Alternatively you can send your cash or cheque (cheques made payable to Beaumont School) in a sealed envelope with your son's/daughter's name, Form and 'Year 8 Contribution' clearly written on it. **This should be posted in the appropriate box outside the Finance Office by Friday 29 September 2017.**

If you have any questions, please contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

Elena Dundjerovic
Assistant Headteacher

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Please return to the box outside the Finance Office marked 'Year 8 Contributions' by Friday 29 September 2017

Name: _____ Form: _____

I am/am not* prepared to make the contribution requested. *(*Please delete as applicable)*

☐ I **enclose £10**

Alternatively payment can be made online as detailed above in which case you do not need to return this form to school.

Signed: …….…… (Parent/Carer) Date: ……

Curriculum Enrichment Days 2017/2018 Year 8

	LEA	RNS
Thursday 21 September	**Morning** PSHCE An outside company doing workshops with the students on topical issues **Afternoon** Skills 4 Success	**Morning** Skills 4 Success **Afternoon** PSHCE An outside company doing workshops with the students on topical issues
Tuesday 7 November	**English** Media Day The students become editors and run a newspaper for the day	**English** Media Day The students become editors and run a newspaper for the day
Thursday 18 January	**Entrepreneurship Day** Chip Shop Challenge	**Entrepreneurship Day** Chip Shop Challenge
Tuesday 6 March	**Morning** History **Afternoon** Geography Fieldwork	**Morning** Geography **Afternoon** History (
2 – 6 July Letters sent out about all activities in October	Residential Spanish Trip or Poland or in school doing a variety of activities on offer to Year 8 and 9	Residential Spanish Trip or Poland or in school doing a variety of activities on offer to Year 8 and 9