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Dear parents and carers,

Minstead residential trip - Diamond Class – July 2027.

We are pleased to advise you that we have arranged a residential trip for Diamond class at Minstead Study Centre in July 2027. The dates are Monday 5th July – Friday 9th July 2027 inclusive.

St Mark's have been visiting Minstead Study Centre for their residential location for a number of years and it makes for a successful, enjoyable and memorable trip for the children in Diamond class. The Minstead Centre is a small school residential facility which can only hold one small school of up to 35 pupils at a time. They have developed a unique approach to working with the children with fun, reflective hands-on learning experiences. Time at Minstead enriches the children's experience by living, learning and working together. The experience improves social skills and confidence both in and out of the classroom.

The Minstead Centre has a clear learning philosophy: Caring for the Earth, working co-operatively, taking responsibility for our actions and understanding the need to live sustainably.

The total cost of the trip will be approximately £392.00 per child and includes return travel by coach, full board, accommodation and a programme of activities. To confirm our booking, an initial deposit of £50.00 per child will be required by Wednesday 7th October 2026. This deposit is non-refundable. Please make payment using SCOPay.

If financial hardship is the reason that prevents interest in this trip, please let Mrs Jones know via the school office in writing. This information will, of course, be treated confidentially. Limited funding is sometimes available to assist in such cases.

A parents and carers information meeting will be organised in the Spring term to provide families with more information about the residential. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please speak to Mrs Jones.

Kind regards,
School Office

