



4 October 2022

Dear Parent or Carer,

Excellence Day 1, Tuesday 11th October, Year 7 Teambuilding and Outdoor Activities Day

As part of your child's experience at George Spencer Academy, they take part in 'Excellence Days' each half term where all students do not follow their usual timetable but instead participate in a variety of learning experiences linked to the wider curriculum, the deepening of learning and the school's 'Ethos of Excellence' and 'Core Values'.

Excellence Day 1 is scheduled to take place on **Tuesday 11th October** and year 7 will take part in a programme of teambuilding and outdoor activities provided by the external organisation 'The Problem Solving Company'. This renowned teambuilding organisation specialises in designing experiences for young people that develop a wide range of skills and capabilities including:

- Teamwork
- Co-operation
- Effective communication
- Leadership
- Resilience

All activities will be led by a qualified member of The Problem Solving Company's expert team, with further supervision and support provided by staff from George Spencer and there is no cost for the day. This is a fantastic opportunity for your child to develop their personal, transferable skills, build their self-confidence and get to know members of their form group better.

All activities will take place during the normal school day and will be outside so students should wear suitable, warm, outdoor clothing e.g. jogging bottoms, warm fleece clothing, sweatshirts or hoodies and hats coats and gloves. Students should also wear trainers or walking boots as they will be based on the field and tennis courts for the day. In the event of extremely cold or inclement weather some activities may be postponed. Usual arrangements for lunch in school will be in place.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at the email address below.

Yours sincerely

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