



May 2019

PARENTS GUIDE TO OUTWARD BOUND TRUST LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT COURSE

WHAT IS THIS?

Tain Royal Academy have booked places for up to 24 S6 pupils (2019-20) to participate in a leadership development course at the Outward Bound Trust outdoor centre at Loch Eil from 19th – 23rd August 2019.

They have 7 spare spaces that they have offered to our new S6 pupils.

PURPOSE OF COURSE

The purpose of this course is to get together a group of future leaders to give them a taste of working together as an effective leadership group and then putting their skills into practice in their leadership role at Invergordon Academy

LEARNING OUTCOMES

- Increased awareness of own skills and abilities
- Improved confidence and self-belief in own abilities
- Improved ability to listen and communicate effectively with others
- Increased awareness and concern for the natural environment
- Increased resilience and determination
- Improved understanding of leadership
- Increased leadership skills

This course will contribute towards a formal SQA leadership accreditation.





HOW MUCH WILL IT COST?

The full course cost is around £480 per pupil but we and TRA have secured funding from the Outward Bound Trust Charity and additional financial assistance from the Trust and from the school's own funds.

Each place will be **£250 per pupil** based on 24 pupils attending. This includes all food, facilities, travel and activities with associated equipment.

Due to the very short notice for this offer we are prepared to cover an additional £100 of the cost in advance in trust that it will be repaid after the summer holiday. Pupils will pay £150 before the summer in two instalments and £100 after the summer.

Participating pupils will organise fundraising activities with school support to earn their trip fee back. This will take place from June 2019 and continue after the trip as necessary. In the past we have managed to fundraise enough to refund the entire or significant part of the cost. Money raised will be refunded once all fund raising is completed.

WHAT NEXT?

Pupils who are interested should return attached parental consent form with non-refundable deposit of £75 to our school office by Thursday 23rd May. A further £75 should be paid by Thursday 27th June and the remaining £100 on the morning of departure, Monday 19th August.

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

Kind regards,

Michael Aitchison
Head Teacher

