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Dear Parent/Carer

GOOSE (Get out of School Experience) 23rd – 25th May 2018

Firstly, please accept my apologies for the rather later than usual communication regarding GOOSE activities for 2018. Arrangements for GOOSE 2018 are underway, but there has been a delay to allow for discussions and consultation around a new document ***School Excursions, Information for Parents & Carers***, which has now been finalised and approved. This new document has been published on Portlethen Academy's website in the Parent Area and should be read in conjunction with this letter and any other communications relating to GOOSE.

The booklet of residential trips and 3 day off-site activities which are being offered will be published onto the Portlethen Academy website over the next few days. Pupils are asked to submit their choices by the end of the first week back after Christmas (Friday 12th January). Forms should be handed in to the School Office, and for residential trips (those with D next to the Choice Code) this should be accompanied by a deposit payment (preferably by cheque) of £50.

This initial collection of choices will determine the viability of trips and allow the trip leaders to finalise costings and programmes. Please note that at this stage, all of the trips are proposals, and it is important that your child gives a second as well as a first choice in case their first choice is oversubscribed or is not viable. A third choice can also be given if desired. The deposit will be assigned to the trip choice that your child has been assigned to. If your child has not been offered a place on a trip the deposit will be returned. Places on trips will be allocated to 2nd year pupils first with any remaining places allocated to first years.

There will be an additional programme of school based activities put together, and we aim to offer an exciting range of activities for the three days. Alternatively a timetable of classes will be provided if required. As the programme is being put together over the next term, I am very happy to receive ideas for in-school activities that pupils are particularly interested in, and will do my very best to accommodate them. Please note, if a school based activity is chosen only one choice needs be marked on the slip.

Please note that the three days of GOOSE are not additional holiday days and your child is expected to be on a school trip or in school throughout. If you have any queries regarding GOOSE, please feel free to get in touch.

Yours faithfully



Support Services Coordinator

GOOSE Choices 2018

Pupil Name _____

Tutor Group _____

	Choice Code			Choice Code	
Adrenal-een!	ADN		London Calling!	LDN	D
Awesome Orkney	ORK	D	Made in London	MIL	D
Colour Me London	CML	D	Porty Goes Wild!	PGW	D
Dandy Dundee	DUN	D	School Based Activity	SBA	
Edinburgh Rocks	EDIN	D	Wargames Tournament	WGT	
Horsing Around	HORS				

	Choice Code
1 st Choice	
2 nd Choice	
3 rd Choice	

I confirm I have read School Excursions Information for Parents & Carers and understand that payment made for a trip will be based upon the information contained therein.

I enclose £50 cash / cheque for £50 made payable to **PORTLETHEN ACADEMY** which I understand is non-refundable should my child be allocated onto one of their choices shown above.

Signed _____

Print name _____ Dated _____

Please put this slip with payment into a sealed envelope showing:

Pupil Name, Tutor Group and mark the envelope 'GOOSE Choice'