Trip: Summer Learning
Available to: Year 8

Caving, Climbing or Canoeing, Biblins Walk and Sports Day.

On: 16th - 18th July 2025

Cost: £30.00



Dear Parent,

As part of Monmouth Comprehensive School's Summer Learning activities (16th – 18th July) Year 8 will be participating in a number of activities both in and out of school. These activities are designed to offer different learning experiences to those available within their usual timetable. The Monmouth Comprehensive School Friends Association is kindly supporting some of the costs of the events but we ask for a contribution of £30.00 from each child.

Gilwern Outdoor Centre Activities.

Each form will spend one day away from school with the instructors from Gilwern Outdoor Education Centre (see below for form schedule). Students will take part in one of three activities, canoeing, climbing or caving, for the whole day. The instructors will be providing the transport, expertise and safety equipment for the day and will be accompanied by a member of MCS staff. Students should bring a packed lunch, sunscreen, water and suitable clothing, see the attached kit list for the day. Note that 8CSE and 8MGR are out of school on Tuesday 15th July, outside of the 3-day Summer Learning window. This is because Gilwern can only accommodate 2 forms at a time.

Day	Forms with Gilwern OEC
Tuesday 15 th July	8CSE and 8MGR
Wednesday 16 th July	8LEG and 8NPE
Thursday 17 th July	8MKI and 8NPH
Friday 18 th July	8RST and 8SKE

8PHA will have their own schedule across the week as groups will be joining other forms. This will be communicated individually to students.

Wednesday 16th July. Biblins Walk

Many students will walk to the 'Biblins' along the old railway track that follows the River Wye from Monmouth to Symonds Yat. Students will need to bring a packed lunch, plenty of water and appropriate outer clothing and footwear, suitable for all weathers. This is a round trip from school and back.

Thursday 17th July. Athletics Sports Day

Many students will compete with their form group in the Year 8 Athletics Sports Day.

Friday 18th July. On Site Activities

Many students will take part in a range of activities at school.

Students need to wear school PE kit throughout the three days, including appropriate footwear for each activity. Please also ensure they are prepared for the weather conditions, i.e. with a rain jacket, sunscreen, hat, and ample water. On the Gilwern Outdoor Centre Day students should follow the attached kit list. Unless advised by the activity leader, for off site visits students will leave on arranged transport after registration and return in time for home to school transport as normal.

In accordance with the School's Health & Safety procedure failure to give consent will result in your child not being able to take part in these activities. By law these are activities for which we are unable to make a charge. However, we are asking for a contribution of £30.00 towards the overall costs of the events.

Payment and Consent details: All payments are non-refundable. Please use ParentPay @ www.parentpay.com to give payment, online consent, emergency contact information and any medical details we would need to know for the activities across the week.

Please complete by Friday 4th July.

I am aware that when I give Consent in ParentPay for a trip I am consenting to the following arrangements:-

- 1. Off-site activities travel and personal injury insurance is provided by AIG UK Limited. For summary of cover, please visit the School's website at www.monmouthcomprehensive.org.uk under Policies and Documents.
- 2. All payments are non-refundable and I agree to adhere to the payment requirements.
- 3. I give permission for my child to travel by private hire
- 4. My child must bring their relevant medication/equipment, including inhalers, sunscreen and appropriate clothing on this trip.

Please direct all payment queries to the Finance Department on 01600 775171 or email jennifer.jenkins@monmouth.schoolsedu.org.uk

Yours sincerely. Mrs C Tamplin Head of Year 8







