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Calf of Man Standalone Boat Trip
Day Trips: Tuesday 9th, Wednesday 10th, Thursday 11th, Friday 12th July 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

Your child has chosen to participate in the one of the above boat trips during standalone week.

On the day of the visit, please ensure that your son/daughter brings a packed lunch and a drink, plus some money to buy extra food and drink if required. Please inform us if your son/daughter qualifies for free school meals so we can provide a packed lunch from school. Although it is summer, it is essential that your son/daughter brings some warm clothing, including a windproof / waterproof jacket, suitable sturdy footwear and a hat and gloves. As the weather could also be hot, it would be a good idea for your son/daughter to bring a sun hat, sunscreen and a water bottle, and possibly seasickness tablets.

We will travel to Port St Mary Harbour by minibus, leaving the School's East Building car park at 9:00am and returning by 3:30pm each day. We will board the Gemini catamaran at 10:30am in Port St Mary for a three-hour boat trip around the Calf. There is a toilet on board, but we would recommend everyone uses the facilities at Port St Mary Harbour before we set off.

We should see a variety of wildlife including birds and seals and, if we are lucky, we could also see basking sharks, minke whales, risso's dolphins and harbour porpoises. It would be worth bringing binoculars if you have them. If we have time, we may also visit the Sound before returning to School.

In the event of inclement weather and the boat cannot sail, we will visit the House of Mannanan and Peel Castle instead.

As representatives of Ramsey Grammar School, we would ask all students to behave responsibly at all times on the trip and to show due regard for their own and others' safety.

Payment of £36 and consent for your child should be made via ParentPay.

Kind regards

Mr I Judd
Trip Organiser