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Year 9 Standalone Week

Dear Parent/Carer

I am delighted to enclose your child's activity choices for Standalone Week 2025. This will take place on Tuesday 15th, Wednesday 16th and Thursday 17th July 2025. Standalone is aimed at having a fun three days as a school community outside of normal structured lessons.

This year individual year groups have devised their own program, so children in different year groups will not be offered the same activities. The year 9 tutor team have put together a fantastic range of choices, hopefully to suit all tastes and preferences (see below). We will use PGE on Wednesday 25th June to collect student choice, with students choosing a 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice for each day. We will endeavour to keep friendship groups together across different forms and give students their preferred activity.

Each activity does have a limited number of spaces, so it is inevitable that some will not get their first choice. Some of the choices are offsite and will incur a cost to parents which will be payable via ParentPay once we have organised the final groups. If your ParentPay account is not active please contact the school.

Tutors will be revealing the choices today so that students have time to discuss with friends and family before making their final choices on Wednesday.

Please contact the school if you require any more information.

Kind regards

Robert Shimmin Head of Year Stand Alone 2025 will be three full days off timetable, packed with exciting activities chosen just for Year 9 students. Your tutors have put together a fantastic range of experiences for each day. The best part? You can mix and match with friends from other forms!

Important:

Activities have limited places. Talk to your friends and sign up quickly to secure your choices for all three days.

- The school day will run roughly as normal, but some activities may finish earlier or later due to transport.
- Some activities are off-site and may include a small fee. Others are free and held at school.

Detailed Activity Guide:

Tuesday

Computer Gaming. Multiple gaming zones with Nintendo Switch consoles. (In School)

Max 25 students

Board Games. Relax with board and card games. (In School)

Max 25 students

Art / Calligraphy & Drawing. A calm, creative day in the Art Studios. (In School)

Max 25 students

Cake Decorating. A delicious trip to Juliette's in Peel followed by lunch and ice cream. (Off-site, £20 + return bus trip)

Max 18 students

Venture Centre. Full day of outdoor fun at Mooragh Lake & the Venture Centre. (Off-site, £30)

Max 80 students

Geology Trip. Explore the island's coastline with Dr. Spencer. (Off-site, no cost)

Max 20 students

Mountain Biking. Ride from Sky Hill to Tholt y Will. Own bike in good condition required. (Off-site, no cost)

- No downhill plantation riding due to safety.
- Maximum 20 students

Wednesday

Douglas Shopping Trip. A day in Douglas with friends for shopping and lunch. (Off site, no cost but spending/lunch money needed)

Max 60 students

Karaoke & Movie. Sing in the morning, movie in the afternoon on the big screen. (In School)

Max 40 students

Calf of Man Boat Trip. Scenic boat trip (including fishing) around the Calf of Man with Mr Judd. (Off-site, £37.50)

Max 10 students.

Reading & Art. A peaceful day of reading and creativity. (In school)

Max 25 students

Snaefell Descent. Tram to Laxey and Snaefell summit, walk back to Ramsey. (Off-site, no cost)

Packed lunch and outdoor clothing needed

Thursday

Golf Club. Bring own clubs and wear proper gear. (Off site, no cost)

Max 20 students

Pamper Day. Learn nail and makeup skills. (In School, cost £5)

Max 20 students

Ape Mann & Laser Mayhem. High ropes adventure followed by laser games. (Off-site, £43.50)

Max 40 students

Sports Day. Choose sports based on your skills and interests. (In School)

Max 60 students

Reading & Art. Relax with books and art in a quiet environment. (In School)

Max 25 students