



05 January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

## **GCSE Practical - Climbing trip at Redpoint Climbing Centre**

As part of the GCSE PE course students are required to be assessed in three practical sports one team, one individual and one other either team or individual each worth 10% of their overall grade.

Your child has been identified as someone who could benefit from an assessment in climbing to make up their three sports. We are planning to take the students to Redpoint Climbing Centre on either 20 January, 23 January or 27 January 2026. Regarding timings, we would leave school at 9am and return to school at approximately 3.10pm.

Whilst at the Centre, students will be coached and assessed by qualified climbing instructors. This will provide them with a practical grade for their assessment. This trip will offer a practical experience that will be fun, enjoyable and educational.

**Parents/Carers are asked to make a contribution of £60.00** towards the cost of the trip. Please make payments **by 14 January 2026** via [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com), the school's online cashless payment system, **which will also act as permission**. (Please note if sufficient funds are not raised for the trip, it may not be financially viable for it to take place.)

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and/or is Pupil Premium, financial assistance is available. In this instance, please contact the Finance Team via email at [finance@backwellschool.net](mailto:finance@backwellschool.net). Should you have any queries regarding ParentPay please contact the Finance Team.

As this trip is classed as an 'adventurous' trip please complete the Student Essential Information form by clicking on the link: <https://forms.office.com/e/x4tnFqYfcZ>

If you do have any further questions or queries, please do not hesitate to ask.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Hoole and Mrs Wanless  
Teachers of PE