

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

This letter contains important information about the KS3 Bike Ride and Pier Walk, taking place this **Friday, 10th July**:

Bike Ride

Arrival: 0830-0915

- Pupils to arrive at school **via the Main (Prittlewell Chase) entrance only**, between 0830 and 0915. All pupils will register at the main gate, to be allocated to a group, before having their bike checked in the visitor car park.
- If your son is not able to attend school on Friday, please contact the main office.

Equipment:

- **If a bike is deemed un-safe/un-roadworthy, that pupil will not be allowed to participate in the ride.** The video here: <https://www.sustrans.org.uk/our-blog/get-active/2019/everyday-walking-and-cycling/mcheck> demonstrates a simple bike check, that we would recommend is completed in advance of the ride.
- **All pupils must wear a properly fitting helmet to be allowed to participate in the ride** – please check the straps are adjusted to be snug around the chin.
- The weather forecast is suggesting mid-20's, and sunny. please ensure pupils have applied sun-cream.
- There is a water stop, but please ensure pupils have a bottle and adequate drinking water with them.

Lunch:

- We will break for lunch on arrival at East Beach.
- You have been able to order hot food, please ensure your son knows which item they have ordered - as all hot food has been pre-ordered, they will not be able to change any orders on the day.
- If you have not ordered food, please ensure your son has a packed lunch.
- There *may* be the opportunity to purchase additional snacks from vendors at East Beach.

End of Day:

- Groups will return to SHSB from around 1430. The kiosk will be open for school card food purchases. Pupils will be allowed to leave school when they have completed the ride.



Pier Walkers

If you are completing the walk, you should do the following:

- If you are in **YEAR 7**. Please arrive at 9am at the base of Southend Pier, outside the entrance to the tram (tall glass building) **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL!!**
- If you are in **YEAR 8**. Please arrive at 9.15am at the base of Southend Pier, outside the entrance to the tram (tall glass building) **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL!!**
- If you are in **YEAR 9**. Please arrive at 9.30am at the base of Southend Pier, outside the entrance to the tram (tall glass building) **DO NOT COME TO SCHOOL!!**
- **If you are a prefect and in Year 12 please arrive at 9.15am.**
- **You are in non school uniform.**
- You will then walk in year groups with designated members of staff to the grass area at East Beach, Shoebury, where you will be able to eat your lunch.
- You will then walk back to Southend Pier, where you will be registered and then released to make their own way home from there. Approximately **2.30pm**.
- If you are being picked up from the base of Southend Pier then make sure it's about 2.30pm please.
- The walk is approximately 9 miles therefore bring water and appropriate clothing.

Note to Walkers

We want this to be as green an event as possible. There will be no minibus from the school to the Pier. Therefore if you get a contract bus, (we have already communicated this to you) you need to get a train for your journey.

**Greater Anglia line – Southend Victoria – 10 minute walk to pier
C2C line – Southend Central – 5 minute walk to the pier**

Thank you for your support in which should be a fun and enriching day for all students.

Yours sincerely,



Mr G March



Mr J Brandon