



HARROGATE
GRAMMAR SCHOOL
EXCELLENCE FOR ALL

June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer,

Year 7 and 8 Charity Sleepout Event – Friday 5 July 2024

We are delighted to share details about our Year 7 and 8 Charity Sleepout event that will take place on Friday 5 July 2024. This year, our school charity is [Zarach](#), providing bed bundles to young people in Yorkshire who are facing bed poverty and have no bed to sleep in.

The event will take place in our two internal courtyards, with students sleeping out in the open but having access to school toilet facilities. Should the weather not be in our favour, we will move indoors into the main hall.

Timings and details of the event

- Arrive at 8pm on Friday 5 July. Please ensure your child has eaten their main evening meal prior to arrival.
- A list of suggested clothing to wear and items to bring, are included in this letter.
- We have a series of planned activities that will take place, including team activities and crafts, as well as 'build your own shelter' (resources will be provided).
- A warm/cold drink and snack will be provided in the evening.
- Students will be encouraged to quieten down around 11pm, and enjoy sleeping under the stars. Staff will be on duty throughout the evening.
- We are not allowing any electronic devices, including phones. All staff on duty will have phones and parent/carer contact details, should the need arise for a student to make urgent contact.
- A light breakfast snack will be provided from 6.45am and students can be collected from the main entrance at 7.30am.

We have received a fantastic level of interest from students in Years 7 and 8, wanting to participate in this charity event, and as such, places are limited. If we are over-subscribed, places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Consent to participate

In order for your child to participate in this event, consent must be given via Trips in the Arbor Parent Portal app. Instructions can be found by [clicking here](#). The event will be open for sign up and consent from 10am on Friday 14 June and we ask that consent is completed by **Monday 24 June**. If no more places are available on this event, please email mail@hgs.rklt.co.uk and request to be placed on a waitlist.

Sponsorship

All participants are encouraged to raise as much sponsorship as possible, £20.00 being the minimum. A prize of appreciation will be awarded to the student who has raised the most sponsorship.

Further information will be emailed to parents towards the end of June, including sponsorship details.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please contact Mrs Lythe on lythec@hgs.rkit.co.uk. We are very much looking forward to this charity event.

Your sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lythe', written in a cursive style.

Mrs Lythe, School Charities Committee Lead

WHAT TO BRING CHECKLIST

We recommend the following items, for warmth and comfort during the Sleepout.

Keep an eye on the weather, you may need extra layers!

YOGA / PADDED MAT – to sleep on (there will be cardboard provided to sleep on and/or make a shelter)

SLEEPING BAG (or OLD DUVET) & a BLANKET

WATER BOTTLE

BIN BAGS – for belongings, your shelter and to clean up any snack items.

WARM CLOTHING – joggers, jumpers, hoodies, warm socks etc (NO pyjamas).
The temperature drops in open spaces so bring a beanie and/or layers of clothing!

SNACKS – just a few

READING BOOK and HEAD TORCH

Please note that **NO** electronic devices will be allowed.