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Dear Parent/Carer

## Outdoor Education Programme - S1 Conservation Days

As a part of the Breadalbane Wider Achievement Guarantee, we are providing the opportunity for all S1 pupils to participate in a conservation day at Dun Coillich.

The conservation days will take place as follows:

- Pupils in 1.1 Thursday 5th October
- Pupils in 1.2 Friday 6th October

Pupils should attend registration and then meet in the canteen ready to leave school at 9.15am, returning at 3.30pm in time for the end of the school day. They will need to bring a packed lunch and drink – no cans please. Packed lunches can be supplied by Tayside Contracts and paid for via ParentPay. If your child is in receipt of Free School Meals, a packed lunch can be provided for the trip in place of the in-school lunch. If you would like to order a packed lunch, please pre-complete the form <a href="here">here</a> and return to the kitchen one week before the trip is due to take place.

We will be working with staff from the Highland Perthshire Communities Land Trust at Dun Coillich carrying out a variety of conservation tasks which may include tree planting. Pupils from Breadalbane have planted thousands of trees over the last 7 years with our partners at Dun Coillich. There is no cost for this experience.

School uniform is not required, and pupils should be dressed appropriately for a day outside. Sturdy outdoor footwear (trainers are not suitable), waterproof coat and trousers, warm hat, and gloves. Pupils should wear/bring multiple layers suitable for the weather. A small rucksack is recommended for carrying personal belongings. There are waterproof jackets, waterproof trousers, and a selection of walking boots available for use. If pupils require to borrow any equipment, they should come to the PE department prior to the day of their trip so this can be organised.

This trip is covered by the Annual Consent Form completed at the beginning of the school year. If you have yet to return your completed form, please do so as soon as possible as this form, along with included photo permissions, covers not only this trip but any others your child may participate in throughout the school year. If you have returned your form and there are any changes required, please contact the school by calling 01887 822300 or email <a href="mailto:breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk">breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk</a>.

If you wish to withdraw consent for your child to take part in this activity, please email <a href="mailto:breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk">breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk</a> by the end of the school day on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September.













Finally, please note that as this experience is delivered on a normal school day, <u>attendance on the day is compulsory for all pupils</u>, and we would urge all pupils to take advantage of this opportunity.

In the event of non-attendance on the day, parents are requested to contact the school office before 8:45am by emailing <a href="mailto:breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk">breadalbane@pkc.gov.uk</a> or calling 01887 822300 explaining the reason for your child's absence.

Yours faithfully

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