



21st March 2024

Dear Parent(s)/Guardians(s)

As part of our Transition Year Programme in Our Lady's School, we offer students the opportunity to participate in the Gaisce President's Award Scheme. This year to date, we have over 100 students signed up who are hoping to achieve the Bronze Award.

The President's Award honours the achievement of young people who have devoted time to community involvement, development of a specific personal skill, commitment to a physical activity and who have completed a specific adventure journey. The adventure journey requires walking 25km over 2 days, staying overnight in a youth hostel and planning for and preparing any necessary equipment/supplies needed, including meals. The Adventure Journey must be completed under supervision by PAL (President's Award Leader).

Our Gaisce Adventure Journey will take place on Friday, April 19th and Saturday, April 20th 2024. We will complete the walking distances along looped routes in the Glendalough Valley. We have booked out Glendalough International Youth Hostel for the night of Friday, April 19th, exclusively for our students, and some of our staff have volunteered to supervise the adventure.

Students will attend normal classes at school on the morning of Friday, April 19th, and we will set off for Glendalough then. We hope to return to school on Saturday, April 20^{th,} around 2pm.

The deposit of 50 euro was paid already and the remaining balance is now <u>23 euro</u>. This cost includes the rent of the hostel, a bus to and from Glendalough and some food provisions.

I would be grateful if you could arrange to pay the remaining balance of €23 by Friday, 12th April 2024. This can be done through Easy Payments Plus on our school website at www.olschool.ie. Alternatively, cheques may be made payable to Our Lady's School and handed into Reception in an envelope with your daughter's name, class and 'Gaisce - Glendalough' written on the front.

Should you have any queries regarding the trip, please do not he sitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

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