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Dear Parent / Carer

All S1 pupils will be involved in the Rapid Response event on Tuesday 2nd June 2015.

This event will be in the form of a challenge day running in school from periods 3-7 inclusive. Pupils will need to bring all necessary equipment for periods 1 and 2 on Tuesday.

Rapid Response is a whole school interdisciplinary activity for S1 pupils covering the four capacities outlined in 'A Curriculum for Excellence'. Pupils have been given a presentation, setting the scene for the challenge. This being that a hurricane has hit Honduras, causing widespread devastation to the local infrastructure. Pupils have been asked to play the role of Rapid Response engineers who could help restore some of the basic elements of shelter, water and communications.

Prior to the challenge day, pupils will be focusing on this topic in all subject areas and then on the day of the challenge, in small groups pupils will be set a series of group challenges, for example, building a shelter, water purification, transporting water between locations and orienteering using basic Spanish.

Pupils do not need to wear school uniform on Tuesday 2nd June, but they should come appropriately dressed for being outside, so weather dependant sun tan lotion or a rain jacket! Please could all pupils also wear trainers.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully

Mrs Zoe Nicklin and Mr Patrick Walker
Principal Teachers of Development