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CASTERTON
SEDBERGH PREPARATORY
SCHOOL

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Dear Parent

After much consideration and following demand from pupils to be more involved in stable life, we have taken the decision to embrace our status as a Pony Club Centre and as such, we ask that all children enrolled in riding become Pony Club Centre Members.

The weekly timetable will be adjusted to allow dedicated periods for demonstrations, competitions and opportunities for achievement badges to be earned, following pony club guidelines. This will give the stable staff the opportunity to offer a wider experience, beyond your child's weekly riding lessons. Plans throughout the year will also include experiencing a variety of disciplines within the equine industry including, tetrathlon, mounted games, polocrosse and many others.

Pony Club Members can also benefit, outside of school time, by attending external events and participating in activities at other centres throughout the country.

Annual pony club membership is paid directly to The Pony Club and membership forms are available online or from the Stables' Office.

The Pony Club is a voluntary youth organisation, which is open to all young people under the age of 25 throughout the United Kingdom. The aims of The Pony Club are:

- To encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sport connected with ponies and riding.
- To give instruction in riding and horse mastership and to educate Members to look after and to take proper care of animals.
- To promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty to create strength of character and self-discipline.

The Pony Club promotes the education of young people through the provision of instruction and examination in riding, horse care and animal welfare. At camps and rallies, children are taught best practice in a fun and safe environment.

For further information about the benefit of being a pony club member, please visit www.pcuk.org

If you have any concerns about this or any other riding related query, please contact diane.hull@sedberghprep.org

With best wishes
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