



St. Ninian's HIGH SCHOOL

Scoill Ard Noo Ninian

Our Ref: DSW/LK

4th February 2026

Dear Student

Re: Year 11 Offsite Games Options – Mountain Biking

As part of our Year 11 Games provision, we have been delighted to see the fantastic engagement and effort from students currently taking part in the Rock-Climbing block. The group have approached each session with enthusiasm, respect and maturity, and the instructors have commented on how quickly they have picked up new skills. It has been a brilliant start to our off-site activity programme, and we are extremely proud of how well Year 11 have represented the school.

We are now looking ahead to the next activity block after half term and we are excited to offer Mountain Biking for the upcoming 6-week cycle. This will run during Games lessons from Monday 23rd February 2026 to Thursday 2nd April 2026 at the Outdoor Learning Centre, Ardwhallan and Archallaghan Plantation.

Why Mountain Biking?

Mountain Biking is an outstanding activity for building both physical and personal skills. Many of our students have never tried it on a range of terrains, making it a brilliant opportunity to experience something a bit different in a safe, structured and enjoyable environment.

Students often discover strengths they did not know they had and mountain biking is particularly well known for boosting self-confidence and providing a refreshing mental break from academic pressure.

Details of the Mountain Biking Block

- Cost: £30 for the full 6-week block
- Location: Outdoor Learning Centre, Ardwhallan and Archallaghan Plantation.
- Staffing: Fully qualified instructors and a member of St. Ninian's PE Staff
- Maximum spaces: 10 students (allocated on a first-come, first-served basis)
- Transport provided to and from the venue.

If your child would like to take part, please return the reply overleaf to the PE Department as soon as possible. If you have already returned the previous form, we already have your name down.

Once the form is received and your child has been allocated a place, the £30 charge will be added to your ParentPay account. This must be paid in full before the course begins for the student to participate.

We encourage as many students as possible to consider getting involved, it is an excellent chance to try something new, stay active and develop valuable skills during a crucial school year.

If you have any questions, please contact the PE Department.

Yours faithfully

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Head of Physical Education

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Mountain Biking 2026 reply slip

Please return the completed slip to the PE Department by Friday 13th February 2026

Student Name.....

Tutor Group:

Date of Birth:

- I would like my child to participate in the Mountain Biking group as part of their Year 11 Games lesson.
- I agree that a cost of £30 will be added to my ParentPay account and I am required to pay this before the 6-week block commences.
- I understand that my child will have to be at school by 8:40am if they are in the Wednesday games group.

Signed (Parent/Guardian):

Date: