

# CHICKS



Between the dates of October 6<sup>th</sup> and October 11<sup>th</sup>, most of the members of Class 10 ventured to the southernmost parts of the country to spend a fantastic week away. The organisation we went with was a company called CHICKS which stands for 'Country Holidays for Inner City Kids'. It is a charitable organisation that aims to provide exciting and educational breaks away for children around the country.

The children had a fantastic time learning a range of different skills that both challenged them and boosted their confidence.

We started the week by splitting into two groups; half of the children went to Cornwall and the other half went to Devon. Every day the children had a new experience in a variety of different forms. They went horse riding, swimming, rock climbing, and laser fighting to name just a few activities. The children developed their understanding of the skills they need to build more effective relationships, manage their feelings and show emotional independence as well as having lots of fun and constantly smiling!



Since returning to school it has been clear that the trip has had a huge impact on the lives of the children. They have shown improved language, speaking and listening skills and their ability to be sociable and confident has also grown.

We had the most incredible time and the value of the visit is still continuously evident.