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## **Shimna Integrated College**

Tollymore National Outdoor Centre has provided The Shimna College Students with an excellent orienteering experience. It has helped them to develop the knowledge and skills required for orienteering at GCSE Level. The staff's enthusiasm for orienteering has encouraged the Shimna students to reach their full potential in this activity.

The location of Tollymore National Outdoor Centre stimulates a love for the mountains and forest and the facilities are excellent. The bedrooms are all ensuite and the food is healthy, nutritious and delicious.

All the equipment needed for the orienteering was very up-to-date and the courses used electronic dippers. The maps were all in colour and very clear. The courses organised by the staff were graded appropriately, from easy to the more difficult required for the GCSE assessment. The students were able to cover the GCSE orienteering requirements in a two day overnight residential.

I was very impressed overall with the professionalism of the staff and the facilities offered by Tollymore, to fulfil the requirements for GCSE Orienteering.

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