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Dear Parent/Carer

7th May 2025

Re: Year 5 and 6 residential to York

Following your feedback about a residential visit for next academic year, we're thrilled to let you know that we are planning an exciting one-night stay in York for children who will be in Year 5 and 6 in July 2026.

This trip offers the perfect mix of adventure and learning, with the chance to experience a vibrant city rich in history—without being too far from home.

Provisional dates:

Thursday 9th – Friday 10th July 2026

Proposed activities include:

Jorvik Viking Centre – step into the sights and smells of Viking life
York Minster – explore one of the most iconic cathedrals in the world
Clifford's Tower – discover York's dramatic past
Eden Camp – experience history from a soldier's point of view

We'll be staying at the well-rated YHA York, with a delicious two-course evening meal at Pizza Express. On the second day, children will be provided with breakfast and a packed lunch before we continue exploring.

Cost and Payments:

The current estimated cost is £195 per child, based on 20 children attending. This is the minimum number needed for the trip to go ahead. However, we expect the final cost to reduce more children sign up and we receive a grant towards travel costs (which we've successfully secured for all past visits). We have also received a very generous donations of £1,000 from Mrs Nesham (honorary chair of the PTA) which will be put towards to cost of the visit should it go ahead.

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To help spread the cost, you can pay in small instalments via ParentPay over the coming months. We also understand that for some families, especially with more than one child eligible, this may be a big commitment. If that's the case, please speak in confidence to Mrs Green or Mrs Cross—we're happy to help.

If you would like your child to take part in the visit, a £40 non-refundable deposit will need to be paid via ParentPay by Friday 6th June 2025.

Please be aware that, once a child is signed up, cancellation charges will apply if they later decide not to attend:

More than 69 days before the visit – loss of deposit

22 to 69 days before the visit – 75% of the total cost

Less than 22 days before the visit – 100% of the total cost

These charges are in line with the terms and conditions of the travel company we are using (The School Travel Company). A full copy of the company's T&Cs can be found on their website.

We hope your child will be able to join us for this memorable and enriching experience. It promises to be a fantastic trip filled with learning, independence, and fun.

Yours sincerely

Mrs A Green
Assistant Head Teacher