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Dear Parent/Carer 19th June 2025

Re: Year 5 and 6 residential to York

We are delighted to confirm that 30 children have signed up for the York visit meaning that it will go ahead. Please see the information below as some details from the original letter have changed.

Confirmed dates:

Thursday 18th – Friday 19th June 2026

Confirmed 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
Pizza Express – evening meal (menu choices will be sent out closer to the visit)

Confirmed accommodation

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

Cost and Payments:

The cost for the visit has reduced from the estimated £195 to £180. This is due to the increased number of children who have signed up for the visit and takes into account the generous donation of £1,000 from Mrs Neesham (honorary chair of the PTA). I am still hoping to secure another grant which will go towards to travel cost, so the final price may reduce further.

To help spread the cost, you can pay in instalments via ParentPay from September. A separate letter will be sent in September outlining the payment dates.

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

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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.

Mrs Green will be holding a meeting for parents and children early in the next academic year where you will find out more information about the residential and can ask any questions. If an urgent query comes up in the meantime, please contact Mrs Green via email or Class Dojo. Information such as room allocations and meal choices are not usually available until 6 weeks before the visit.

We hope your child is as excited as we are at getting to take part in 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







