



LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



Wednesday 14th April 2021

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted that we are able to offer our Year 3 children an overnight residential this term – provided that nothing changes with the data in line with the government's road map!

A number of years ago we introduced an overnight visit for our Year 3 children linked to work being studied in the Humanities curriculum. Obviously this is now an established tradition in school and once again, we are delighted to be able to offer our children the opportunity to go on an overnight visit to Birdoswald Roman Fort in Gilsland, near Brampton. This is an English Heritage site on which there are the remains of a Roman Fort as well as being superbly situated for a walk along the Roman Wall.

During our two days there, the children will go on a march along Hadrian's Wall, explore and have an interactive guided tour of the site of the Roman Fort as well as participate in two workshops – one in which they will meet a 'real' Roman soldier and the other when they will have a storytelling session which is inspired by Hadrian's Wall and the Roman Forts which will take place in the mile castle.

The two days are fully catered and the children will sleep in a 17th century converted farmhouse which specifically caters for large groups.

The cost of the overnight visit which includes transport, food, accommodation and workshops is £75 per pupil and £35 for children who are eligible for Free School Meals.

The visit will take place during the first week back after May half term. We have booked the accommodation for two consecutive evenings and the children will be going up in their classes. Mr Stephenson's class will go on Monday 7th June to Tuesday 8th June 2021 and Mrs Grayson's class will go from Tuesday 8th June to Wednesday 9th June 2021.

As you can imagine, it is quite a challenge to organise these residentials due to the numbers involved and the accommodation has a capacity that we cannot exceed. Therefore it is absolutely essential that deposits are paid before the deadline and it is quite possible that we will be unable to accept any late requests.

If you would like your child to participate in this overnight visit, please give permission and pay the non-refundable deposit of £20 or £10 for children eligible for free school meals on ParentPay no later than Monday 26th April 2021. The remainder will be due no later than Monday 24th May 2021. However, please remember that payments can be made via ParentPay towards the cost of the visit at any time.

We will have a meeting over Zoom on Tuesday 18th May 2021 where final details will be shared with you. Meanwhile, if you have any further questions about this visit, please just contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Davis

Mrs Jane Davis
Head Teacher