

## LANCHESTER E.P. (Cont.) PRIMARY SCHOOL



Tuesday 14th January 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

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 17<sup>th</sup> century converted farmhouse which specifically caters for large groups.

The cost of the overnight visit which includes transport, food, accommodation and workshops is £65 per pupil and £30 for children who are eligible for Free School Meals. This price has not increased since two years ago!

The visit will take place during the last full week in March. 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 Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> March 2020 and Mrs Grayson's class will go from Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> to Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2020.

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 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020. The remainder will be due no later than Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2020. However, please remember that payments can be made via ParentPay towards the cost of the visit at any time.

A meeting will be held on Monday 27<sup>th</sup> January at 5.30pm in the main hall about this visit. Meanwhile, if you have any further questions about this visit, please just contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Jane Davis

Mrs Jane Davis Head Teacher