



Ackworth Howard Church of England (VC) Junior and Infant School

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3rd June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Northumberland Residential 2024 – Final Information

With the forthcoming Northumberland residential shortly upon us (3rd-5th July), I would like to take this opportunity to provide you with the relevant visit information.

Just a reminder, that if you have not already made your final payment, this is now due.

You will also be receiving a medical and medicines form this week, please could these be completed and returned to school as soon as possible.

If you have any further questions or would like to discuss anything about the visit with myself, please contact school and I will be happy to speak/meet with you.

Yours sincerely,

Mr M Walker
Headteacher

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Information:

The Northumberland residential will take place from Wednesday 3rd July to Friday 5th July 2024. **Please ensure children arrive at school for 8:00am** on the day of departure. The children will return at approximately 4:30pm on the Friday however we will update parents of a more accurate arrival time using the text messaging service.

The staff attending the visit with the children are:

- Mr Walker (Visit Leader)
- Mrs McConnell
- Mrs Thorpe
- Mrs McLoughlin
- Miss Clough

We will be staying at the Alnwick Youth Hostel, in the centre of the historic county town of Northumberland. We have exclusive use of the accommodation with no other guests present. Children will share rooms in small groups. The accommodation offers:

- A central location in Alnwick.
- 15 en-suite rooms.
- Games room.
- Lounge.
- Dining room.
- Conference room.
- Packed lunches prepared.
- Freshly cooked and prepared meals.



Itinerary:

Wednesday:

- Leave school – **children to bring their own packed lunch**
- Alnwick Castle visit – Includes broomstick training!
- Check into Hotel
- Sunset Cruise – Around the Farne Islands (Nesting birds such as Puffins, Grey Seals and a tour of the beautiful coastline – we might even see a dolphin or two if we are lucky!)



Thursday:

- Pilgrims Way Walk to Holy Island
- Holy Island of Lindisfarne / St. Cuthbert's
- Bamburgh and Bamburgh Beach
- Seahouses



Friday:

- Durham Cathedral Visit – Guided Cathedral tour and an outdoor History tour (St. Cuthbert's focus)
- Return Home.



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Things to take:

- At least one complete change of clothing for each day - layers of clothes are more use than very thick, heavy clothing
- Wellies / Walking Boots - Stout, sensible shoes, not new shoes
- Pair of shoes/slippers to wear in the hostel
- Pair of old shoes/ trainers for the beach if possible
- Towel for bathroom
- Towel for beach
- Soap, toothpaste, shampoo etc.
- A waterproof coat or cagoule
- A small bag or rucksack
- Sun cream, hat, water bottle
- Book and/or small game (no mobile phones, personal stereos or tablets etc.)

All children will need a packed lunch from home on the day of departure.

The amount of pocket money you give your child is entirely up to you, but children will be responsible for it themselves. We suggest no more than £5 per day. Any cameras (not phone cameras) or personal belongings your child takes will also be their responsibility.

Please sort any spending money into envelopes labelled with their names.

On the morning of the visit please ensure your child's packed lunch, cagoule and anything else they will need during the journey is in their rucksack which your child should keep with them on the coach as we will not be unpacking suitcases until early evening.

Thank you.



Mr M Walker
Headteacher

