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***Year 5 Residential Trip to York –***

***Mon 24th March – Wed 26th March 2025***

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our History curriculum, Year 5 will be going on a residential visit to York. This is a brilliant opportunity for the children to learn more about the Viking period. The total cost of this trip is £166.00. A non-refundable deposit of £25.00 is due for payment and the balance payable before 10th March 2025, payment can be made through your child’s Scopay account. This Venue specifically caters for school groups. We have planned a wide and exciting range of activities over the three day (please see attached itinerary)

On Monday 24th March, the children will need to arrive at school by **8:00am** ready to depart at 8.30am. The coach and driver will be with us for the duration of the visit and will transport us to and from the Racecourse Centre.

The children will need to take a packed lunch and drinks (no glass bottles please) on Monday 24th only. This should be carried in a rucksack type bag which allows them to remain 'hands-free’. Please can you also provide your child with a mid-morning and a mid-afternoon snack for the first day. Packed lunches will be provided by the Racecourse Centre on Tuesday and Wednesday. The children will receive a cooked breakfast each morning (including cereal and toast options), a packed lunch and a cooked dinner with dessert each evening. If your child has any specific food requirements that we are not already aware of, please speak to Miss Watson. The children do not need to come to school in their uniform but will need to wear suitable clothing for the visit. We anticipate mixed weather and will be spending plenty of time outdoors, so please provide your child with a warm, waterproof coat and comfortable footwear as we will be walking around York.

Children are not encouraged to phone home during the visit as this can be unsettling. Therefore, we ask that no phones or other devices are brought on the trip.

On Wednesday 26th March, we will leave York at 2:00pm and arrive back at school at approximately 4:00pm.

If you have any questions or concerns about the visit, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Watson at admin@rodeheath.cheshire.sch.uk.

Yours Sincerely,

Miss Holly Watson

Year 5 Class

**Suggested Kit List**

The children will need to bring:

A rucksack

Pyjamas

Dressing gown or onesie

Slippers

Towel, flannel, soap, toothpaste, toothbrush

Hairbrush

Tissues

Changes of underwear

Socks

Sensible walking shoes

Spare shoes (e.g. trainers)

Warm waterproof coat

Hat/scarf/gloves

Trousers/joggers/leggings (please try to avoid jeans in case of inclement weather)

Jumper/hoodies

T-shirts

A plastic bag for dirty clothes

Book

Teddy

Please label all items so that lost property can be handed back to rightful owners!

All bed linen is to be provided by the York Racecourse Centre.

Please do not allow your child to take iPods, tablets, electronic games, smart watches or mobile phones.

The children do not need to take any money.

If your child requires medication while they are away, please place this in a bag labelled with clear instructions for use along with a request to give medicine form (attached) and hand it to either Mr Frankland or Miss Watson on the Monday morning before we leave.

During our visit to York we will be staying at:

York Racecourse Centre

York Stableside Hostel

Tadcaster Road

York

Y024 1QG

<http://www.yorkracecoursecentre.co.uk>

**Itinerary**

**Monday 24th March**

* Arrive @ school for 8am
* Leave school @ 8:30am
* Arrive in York at approximately 11:00am
* Sketch York Minster
* Lunch
* Tour of York Minister at 12:00pm
* We explore the Minster’s Undercroft
* Arrive at York Castle Museum for 14:15pm
* Go to Racecourse Centre, unpack bags and find room for 16:30pm
* Evening meal at approximately 17:30pm
* Evening activities at the Racecourse Centre

**Tuesday 25th March**

* Breakfast at the Racecourse Centre at approximately 8:30am
* DIG Workshop 10:00am
* DIG Centre 11:00am
* Lunch 11:40am (packed lunch provided by Racecourse Centre)
* Jorvik Centre 12:20pm
* Walk around York 2:30pm
* Back to Racecourse Centre for evening meal at approximately 17:30pm
* Evening activities at Racecourse Centre

**Wednesday 26th March**

* Breakfast at the Racecourse Centre 8:30am
* Leave Racecourse Centre
* Arrive at National Railway Museum for 10:00am
* Wonderlab workshop 10:30am
* Packed lunch at 12:15pm indoor picnic area (packed lunch provided by Racecourse Centre)
* Leave for home at approximately 2:00pm
* Arrive at Rode Heath Primary School at approximately 4:00pm