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Dear Parents/Carers

Year 6 are planning to attend a residential trip to the Youth Hostel Association, Whitby from 15th, 16th and 17th July 2020.

This is an opportunity for the children to experience new and exciting challenges in a safe, controlled environment.

<http://www.yha.org.uk/hostel/whitby>

YHA Whitby Abbey House is a magnificent Grade 1 listed mansion situated immediately beside the iconic ruins of Whitby Abbey. Children will enjoy breath taking views over the harbour and North Yorkshire Moors with just a short walk to the town, via 199 steps. The hostel offers superb accommodation for families and groups and is the ideal base for exploring Whitby and its year round attractions. YHA Whitby offers an unforgettable experience in a historic setting with many original artefacts throughout the hostel.

The cost of the visit works out at £129.47 per child for board, lodging and activities. The coach costs are £27.41, making the total payable £129.47. We are informing you now so payments towards the trip can be made in instalments if preferred. Payment can be made on line via Parent Pay or Paypoint at your local shop, as well in cash via school.

We rely on your financial support in order to make visits viable. Should you wish to discuss your financial contribution, please contact the office staff or Mrs Grist

Under the terms of the Education Reform Act (1988) we are not able to charge for educational journeys (transport/insurance/entry fees) which occur during school time. You are though, able to make a voluntary contribution to cover the cost. We are legally allowed to charge for board and lodgings (with the exception of the note below). If you choose not to contribute this will not lead to your child being excluded from the trip; however it may lead to us cancelling the visit.

Parents will be entitled to a remission of charges if in receipt of any of the following benefits.

- Income support
- Income Based Job Seekers Allowance
- Support under part IV of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999
- Child Tax Credit, where the parent is not entitled to Working Tax Credit.

There will be further details regarding activities, clothing, what your child should bring etc. nearer the time, but please contact us should you require further information at this stage.

Yours faithfully

Miss Gibson