

14 November 2023



Dear Parents/Carers

Next year, year 4 will be going on a residential trip to Buckden House. It will be a 1 night residential and we will be leaving school on Thursday 14 March 2024 and returning on Friday 15 March 2024.

We have found that this is an invaluable experience for the children, both socially, educationally, and also an opportunity for the children to experience new and exciting challenges in a safe and controlled environment. We have lots of activities planned by qualified instructors, some of which include:-

Archery  
Caving  
Problem solving

We will be sending out more details about the trip next year and we will also be arranging a parent meeting at school, so that you can ask any questions which you may have.

The cost per child is £100 and this includes travel, insurance, accommodation, food, activities and qualified instructors. We are informing you in advance so payments towards the trip can be made in instalments if preferred. Payment can be made online via Parent Pay or monies can be sent into school (clearly labelled)

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, and would need to discuss this with Mr Grant or the school office.

- 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.

Thank you for your continued support.

Miss Gibson  
Teacher