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Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parent/Guardian,

## Y4 Whitby Trip 2024

During your child's time at Stocksbridge Junior School, we aim to provide them with the opportunity to gain a wide range of valuable experiences and memories through various trips and activity days, including a residential trip each academic year. Since 2014, we have been taking our Year 4 pupils on a three-day/two-night residential to Whitby. As we approach the end of this academic year, we would like to invite you to secure a place for your child on this exciting trip.

**Dates:** Departing first thing in the morning on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November, returning the afternoon of Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

**Accommodation:** Whitby YHA is situated next to Whitby Abbey.

**Cost:** £189 per person (based on a group of 40 children). The cost includes:

- Two nights' accommodation
- Coach transport to and from Whitby
- Meals including dinner, breakfast and a packed lunch on the second and third days
- Activities led by YHA staff and supervised by Stocksbridge Junior School staff including a visit to the Whitby Lobster Hatchery & Marine Discovery Centre and (weather permitting) a Big Yellow Boat trip!

**Schedule of payments:**

- Initial instalment of £50 by Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024
- Second instalment of £50 by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2024
- Remaining balance of £89 due by Friday 6<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The initial instalment will appear on ParentMail on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 5pm**. The bookings will be on a first come, first served basis for the 40 places available. If the demand for places exceeds the number of places currently available, a waiting list will become available. We will then contact the tour company to enquire about additional places.

Payments should be paid using the ParentMail pay facility. It is possible to pay either in full, in three instalments according to the above schedule of payments or in smaller instalments on a more frequent basis provided that payments are received by the dates above.



At this point, we would like to draw your attention to the tour company's policy in the event of a child cancelling their place on the trip:

<b>If a confirmed booking is cancelled, the following charges will apply:</b>	
Cancelled 180-91 days prior to trip	Deposit value charged
Cancelled 90-70 days prior to trip	75% of total booking value charged
Cancelled less than 70 days prior to trip	100% of total booking value charged

Please note that the booking process for this trip does not have the flexibility of the children's recent Kingswood trip, where children could easily be added or cancelled from the trip in the days before departure. When securing your child's place, parents agree to the financial commitment as outlined in the company's policy.

If you would like to secure a place on this trip, please process your child's **non-refundable instalment of £50** on ParentMail no later than **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2024**. When processing the deposit payment, your consent will be obtained for your child's attendance on the trip.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Ross  
Deputy Headteacher