



# Lanchester E.P. (Cont.) Primary School & Nursery

*A Caring Community Where All Can Flourish*



*'Through God's love, we are the rich soil  
where roots grow and seeds flourish.'*

Luke 8:4-15



Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted that we are able to offer our Year 3 children an overnight residential during Spring term.

A number of years ago we introduced an overnight visit for our Year 3 children linked to work being studied in the Humanities curriculum. Obviously this is now an established tradition in school and once again, we are delighted to be able to offer our children the opportunity to go on an overnight visit to Birdoswald Roman Fort in Gilsland, near Brampton. This is an English Heritage site on which there are the remains of a Roman fort as well as being superbly situated for a walk along the Roman Wall.

During our two days there, the children will go on a march along Hadrian's Wall, explore and have an interactive guided tour of the site of the Roman Fort as well as participate in two workshops – one in which they will meet a 'real' Roman soldier and the other when they will have a storytelling session which is inspired by Hadrian's Wall and the Roman forts which will take place in the mile castle.

The two days are fully catered and the children will sleep in a 17<sup>th</sup> century converted farmhouse which specifically caters for large groups.

The cost of the overnight visit which includes transport, food, accommodation and workshops is £65 per pupil and £30 for children who are eligible for Free School Meals.

The visit will take place in April. We have booked the accommodation for two consecutive evenings and the children will be going up in their classes. Mrs Coyle's class will go on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2024 and Mr Stephenson's class will go from Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> April to Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

As you can imagine, it is quite a challenge to organise these residentials due to the numbers involved and the accommodation has a capacity that we cannot exceed. Therefore, it is absolutely essential that deposits are paid before the deadline and it is quite possible that we will be unable to accept any late requests.

If you would like your child to participate in this overnight visit, please give permission and pay the non-refundable deposit of £20 (£10 for children eligible for free school meals) on Arbor or in cash to the Office, no later than Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December. The remainder will be due no later than Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2024. However, please remember that payments can be made towards the cost of the visit at any time.

We will have a meeting in the new year where final details will be shared with you. Meanwhile, if you have any further questions about this visit, please just contact me.

Yours sincerely,

*Jane Davis*

Mrs Jane Davis  
Head Teacher