

11th December 2025

Dear Parents / Carers

Y5 Residential Visit 2026

We are currently planning next year's residential visit for Y5 pupils, and to fit in with the term's topic of Vikings we will be taking the pupils to York for an overnight stay. The children will visit York in 2 groups with one class being split over each visit.

They will be staying at York YHA on the following dates.

Group 1 – Monday 23rd – Tuesday 24th March

Group 2 – Tuesday 24th – Wednesday 25th March

During their time in York children will participate in a visit to Yorkshire Museum for the 'Discover Viking North' workshop, Jorvik and City Walls Walk. They will also take part in Viking themed activities at the YHA. The trips and activities have been organised by the YHA staff and will be led by members of their activity team.

We will leave school at approx. 9:15am, you will need to supply a packed lunch for the first day of the visit as we will be having our lunch at the Yorkshire Museum.

Accommodation

We will be staying at York Youth Hostel. The YHA offer a high standard of accommodation, and their hostels have been used by the school on many residential visits. Your child's safety is paramount, and security measures at the hostel include:

- Security cameras on site
- Keypad codes for all external doors; codes changed every day
- Adults' rooms are adjacent to the children's rooms
- There are site staff on duty 24 hours a day
- All risk assessments for the accommodation and activities are in place



Further information about the accommodation can be found by following this link

<https://www.yha.org.uk/hostel/yha-york>

Children will have a 3-course evening meal on the night they arrive, in the morning they will have a buffet breakfast, including choice of hot and cold food. They will be provided with a packed lunch on their second day with a choice of sandwiches.

All dietary requirements will be catered for – we will ask for this information nearer the time.

The bedrooms cater for groups of 3, 4, 5 or 6.

As we do for all residential visits we will ensure there are plenty of adults accompanying the children - all staff are first aid trained.

Payment

We have been liaising with the YHA regarding the cost, the revised price of this residential trip will be **£104.44**. If you would like your child to take part in this exciting visit, we require a **non-refundable deposit of £20.00 payable by 12th January**. (If you prefer you can pay the full amount.)

The remaining payment of £84.44 must be paid online via MCAS by 23rd March 2026.

We understand that residential trips can be a significant financial commitment for families, and we want to ensure that all children who wish to take part are able to do so. In line with our school policy and national guidance, families in receipt of certain benefits may be entitled to a reduced or fully-subsidised contribution. Please see section 12 of the school's charging and remissions policy – [link here](#)

If you believe you may be eligible for support, please contact Jo Gosling in confidence. We will be happy to assist you and ensure that financial circumstances do not prevent your child from participating.

We are requesting that all parents complete the online form via this link [Y5 Residential to York – Fill in form](#) by 5th January 2026 in order for us to book the correct number of places.

PLEASE NOTE THAT PLACES CANNOT BE GUARANTEED IF YOUR CHILD DECIDES THEY WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND AFTER THIS FORM HAS BEEN COMPLETED.

If you have any further questions about the visit, please contact school and we will be more than happy to help.

Yours sincerely

Year 5 team