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Dear Parents and Carers

Class 5 Spring Term Trip to Jorvik Viking Centre – Thursday 22nd February

During the Spring Term we will be learning about the invasion and settlement of the Anglo-Saxons and Vikings. Therefore, a trip to York to the Jorvik Viking Centre and the Dig centre has been arranged.

We have booked a coach to leave school at approximately 8.30am to arrive at York for 10am where there will be a short walk from the coach carpark to our first activity at the DIG centre which will start at 10.30am. During the trip the children will experience what it is like to be an archaeologist, learn about Anglo-Saxon and Viking medicine and what it was like in York during Viking times (see below for more information). Our activities will finish around 2.20pm and we aim to be on the coach by 2.45pm. Our estimated arrival time back in school will be 4.15pm and if this changes on the day due to traffic, parents and carers will be informed via school spider.

In order to fit all of the activities in, we are asking that children are at school by 8.20am, to ensure a prompt departure at 8:30am.

The cost of the entire trip is **£19.00** per child, we are asking parents and carers for a voluntary donation to cover these costs. Please contribute by Friday 19th January. The BSA have very kindly agreed to pay for half of the coach transfer which significantly reduces the costs. If your child would like to go but you are unable to meet the cost of their trip, please do get in touch with us, in confidence. Payment will be made via the School Spider online system – you will receive notification once this is available.

All children will require a packed lunch for the day. **Those children who currently have school dinners they will be provided with a packed lunch from school on the morning of the trip.** School prepared packed lunches will include: a sandwich (children will choose from a choice of fillings in class), carrot sticks, apple or cherry tomato, yoghurt and either a fairy cake or homemade biscuit along with a carton of fruit juice or bottled water. Children who bring packed lunches from home will be expected to do so on the trip day. Please note: we are a nut free school therefore please do not send any produce that contains, or may contain nuts. **If you would prefer to provide your own packed lunch please let us know prior to the trip.** All packed lunch items need to be entirely disposable but no glass bottles please.

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May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed Psalm 20:4*



Jorvik attraction:

Experience the sights, sounds and smells of Viking-age York on the site of the world-famous Coppergate Dig! Travel back in time in our ride experience to encounter everyday life in the year 960. Come face-to-face with fascinating 1000-year-old artefacts in our galleries, with the help of our friendly Viking guides.

Dig:

A school tour at DIG will start with some archaeological training. Pupils will learn more about which materials survive and how archaeologists sort and identify finds from different historical periods. Then, pupils will have a go at digging for themselves on replica excavation sites inside our DIG pits to discover more about the history of York over the past 2000 years.

Workshop:

Where did Anglo-Saxons go to get medical cures? Who would treat an injured Viking warrior? Learn how plants, animals, insects, and even magic were used to cure ailments of the past. Hear about some of the dramatic measures that were taken, and decide which cures you think would work best.

Please complete the school spider consent form to give your consent for your child to go on the trip, by Friday 19th January at the latest.

Please note, that if you are in receipt of pupil premium funding, the cost of the trip will be paid for by school via this funding. However, please make sure that you still complete the consent form before Friday 19th January.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions.

Kind regards

Mrs Wilde
Class 5 Teacher/Deputy Headteacher