



# ST. ANDREW'S CE (VA) JUNIOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent / Carer

## Newby Wiske Hall Residential Update

A reminder that the trip to Newby Wiske Hall will be on **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> September- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September** (this is the third week back after the summer holidays).

The kit list has been sent through via text and is also on our website (under letters to parents). If there are any items on the kit list which your child does not own, please let us know and we will try to support where we can. (The list states sleeping bag or duvets are required. Due to limited space on the coach when travelling please can you send your child with a sleeping bag).

I would ask that parents and carers do not send their child with any new trainers (due to comfort and mud!) and that all items (including towels and underwear) are labelled with your child's name and that your child knows what has been packed for them. Please also ensure your child brings a small rucksack and a refillable water bottle for the trip. Swimwear will also be required.

We will allow children to bring a maximum spending money of **£10** to spend in the tuck shop. Please do not send any notes. Children will be responsible for looking after their own money during the trip. The tuck shop sells small gifts, sweets and drinks and is optional for children to use.

As stated throughout the information evening, please **do not send your child with any electronic devices** or sweets for their bedroom. Any food items bought at the tuck shop will be consumed downstairs as there will not be any food or drink in the dormitories. This is for safety reasons and to avoid unnecessary mess.

We will confirm the coach pick up and drop off times closer to the time.

Throughout the trip, we will endeavor to keep our school Facebook page up to date with photos of the trip. We will inform parents throughout the trip of any necessary updates. Should you need to contact your child in the case of an emergency, please contact the school office.

Our school Behaviour Policy applies whilst on the residential. Any children who misbehave and seen to be unsafe throughout the trip will be collected and sent home. Parents and carers will be immediately informed if this is the case. Whilst we will reiterate this message before and during the trip, please speak to your child about ensuring their behaviour is safe at all times whilst we are away.

There will not be an opportunity to stop and use the toilet on the way to Newby Wiske Hall. We ask that parents and carers keep this in mind when giving their child breakfast and whilst we do not want our pupils to be dehydrated, we urge them not to drink excessively before we set off!

All children and staff will be allocated rooms on one floor. There will not be an opportunity for the boys and girls to mix once they have been sent to their dormitories on an evening. School staff



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will be on call during the night and pupils will be made aware of where the staff bedrooms are should they require support throughout the evening.

There are 6 members of staff attending the trip. Mrs Clarke (Assistant Head) will be leading the trip. She will be supported by Mrs Caygill (India teacher), Mrs Brearley (Senior Learning Mentor), Mrs Cowman (USA Teaching Assistant), Mrs Smith (India Teaching Assistant), and Luke (Sports Coach).

The children will be split into groups of 12 for the daytime activities. These groups will be decided closer to the time. We will of course, ensure that all pupils have a good friend with them when deciding these groups. We will put the children's safety, behaviour, friendships and attitudes at the fore when deciding which group they will be in. There will be time at breakfast, lunchtime, dinner and all evening to be with the children who are not in their daytime activity group.

Please note that the final payments should now have been made for the trip. If you do have any overdue instalments please visit school money or call the school office by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> July to clear the arrears. As a school we need to make our final payment to the centre before we break up for the summer and therefore ask that parents and carers are fully supportive and meet the payment schedule agreed earlier this year. Unfortunately, we are unable to offer additional support to any families who did not initially request support when booking their child's place on the trip.

Should you require any additional information or have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind regards,

Amanda Jocelyn