



13th July, 2021

HOLY ISLAND TRIP

Dear parents and carers of Year 6,

Next Wednesday 21st July, Year 6 will make their annual trip up to Holy Island, where we will spend the day.

The visit will provide an opportunity for the children to learn about the geography and history of the region and in particular, that of Holy Island. They will take part in a range of activities, including a literary storytelling Viking workshop with author Adam Bushnell in St Mary's C of E Church, a beach walk, Cuthbert bead exploring and fish and chips in Seahouses. Depending on commitments on the day, Father Martin may or may not be able to come to say mass on St Cuthbert's Island with the children. It is a lovely way to celebrate the end of the school year and the children's time together at St. John Vianney.

We aim to leave school at approximately 8.30am, so we ask that **children arrive at school by 8am**. It is important that we leave on time due to causeway crossing times.

After leaving the island, we will make a stop in Seahouses for a dinner of fish and chips (or an alternative). We anticipate leaving Seahouses and traffic permitting, **arriving back to school between 6.30pm and 7.00pm**. School will text parents to inform them of our expected arrival time and any delays, should they occur.

Your child will need a large packed lunch in a disposable bag, so that they do not need to carry this around after eating lunch on the beach. They may bring some extra snacks or sweets should they want to but they will need to carry everything they bring. Please ensure there are no glass bottles or fizzy drinks included in the packed lunch.

Children should wear sensible own clothes that they do not mind becoming dirty or sandy! Your child will need to ensure that they wear comfortable, **sensible shoes**, such as trainers. Please ensure that your child has a **light waterproof jacket** and a **cap**, as although the forecast is currently good, the English weather is unpredictable! We ask that you apply **sun cream** to your child in the morning to last all day. We will bring

some spare sun cream, should your child need to reapply, please sign the slip below to give permission for additional sun cream to be dispensed to your child.

If your child suffers from carsickness, please ensure that you have administered travel sickness medication for this before they arrive at school. If your child requires additional medication before departing from Holy Island, please provide medication in a labelled container and sign the slip below.

In terms of COVID, the classes will travel up together in a single coach with a driver allocated to the group for the day. All the staff will have bottles of hand gel available for pupils to use at all times. Adam Bushnell will take the appropriate Covid measures and we will be the only people using the church at that time. All other activities will be with the children and staff outside. We will purchase fish and chips in Seahouses and eat them outside. Pupils will use the public toilets in both Holy Island and Seahouses.

The full cost of the trip this year will be paid for by school, as an end of school celebration. Please do not hesitate to contact school if you need anything further.

Yours sincerely,

A D Thorpe

Mrs A D Thorpe
Head Teacher



Car sickness medication

I give / do not give permission for a car sickness tablet to be given to my child before the return journey and I will supply it in a labelled box, handed to the class teacher before my child leaves in the morning.

Signed.....

Date.....

Sun Lotion Permission

I give / do not give permission for staff to dispense additional sun cream into my child's hand for them to apply themselves, if they ask for it or staff see a particular need, however staff cannot guarantee that a child will not burn if it is sunny so I agree to provide a hat and put sun lotion onto my child this morning prior to the trip.

Signed.....

Date.....

YEAR 6 HOLY ISLAND FIELD TRIP (21st July 2021)

I give permission for my child (Please Print)

to take part in the visit to Holy Island on the above date.

I understand that the full cost of the trip will be covered by school, as an end of year and school celebration.

Signed.....

Date.....

