

Ghyllside Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

1st October 2018

Y6 Residential Visit to Edinburgh

Monday 20th May – Wednesday 22nd May 2019 - DEPOSIT

The Year 6 team are organising a visit to Edinburgh in the Summer Term. We will stay for two nights in a SYHA Edinburgh Youth Hostel. Whilst in the city we will visit various points of interest, including the Castle and Our Dynamic Earth. The trip will also be a great opportunity for children to improve their social skills and help them understand how life is different in a big city. They will also learn about landscape, politics, the history and a contrasting UK culture. This will be our eleventh visit to Edinburgh with a Year 6 group from Ghyllside.

We will leave Kendal on the morning of Monday 20th May, leaving Ghyllside at 8.00 am for Edinburgh. (We make a "toilet stop" at a motorway service station.) After a visit to Edinburgh Castle we will check into the Edinburgh Hostel, which is run by the Scottish Youth Hostel Association and specialises in school group visits (9 Haddington Place). The children will stay in same-sex dormitories with ensuite toilet and shower facilities. The hostel will provide breakfast, packed lunch and evening meal for each day of the visit, including breakfast and a packed lunch on our final day. We aim to arrive back at Ghyllside School for around 5pm on Wednesday 22nd May. The children will be accompanied at all times by Ghyllside teachers and adults who have significant experience of looking after children on residential visits, both in the UK and abroad.

We are asking parents to pay a voluntary contribution of £135 per child, which includes travel, accommodation, meals, insurance and entry into all exhibits. If insufficient funds come forward we will not be able to cover the cost of the trip. Parents who wish to reserve a place on the trip for their child need to complete and return the slip below with a non-returnable deposit of £35 before Wednesday 5th December. The remaining balance of £100 must be paid on or before Wednesday 13th March 2019. We are setting up a savings scheme so that parents can pay the remaining money in instalments. A scheme card is attached if you wish to use it. If any parents find themselves in difficult circumstances and want to discuss alternative payment options please speak to Mrs Meyfroidt in school.

All payments must be handed in to Mr Phillips in sealed envelopes marked with your child's name and 'Edinburgh Trip'. Cheques are preferred and should be made payable to '**Ghyllside School**'. Please make a note of the following important dates so that reminders do not have to be sent:

- Deposit of **£35** to be paid by Wednesday 5th December 2018
- Remaining **£100** to be paid by Wednesday 13th March 2019

Thank you for your support,

Yours sincerely,

Liz Meyfroidt

Andy Phillips

Jill Abel

Please return by Wednesday 5th December 2018: Y6 Residential Trip to Edinburgh in May 2019

Child's name _____

Class **LM / AP**

I enclose the non-refundable deposit of £35 *cash/cheque (please delete) and confirm that I shall pay the balance of £100 by Wednesday 13th March, 2019. I understand that the deposit cannot be refunded.

Signed _____ (parent/carer)

Date _____