

Ghyllside Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

3rd October 2019

Y6 Residential Visit to Edinburgh – Wednesday 24th June – Friday 26th June 2020 - 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 twelfth visit to Edinburgh with a Year 6 group from Ghyllside.

We will leave Kendal on the morning of Wednesday 24th June, 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 Friday 26th June 2020. 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 £140 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 attached slip to the school office by Friday 1st November, together with a non-refundable deposit of £40. You can choose to make the deposit and further payments online. You will receive a text message with your password to give you access to your School Money account. Please visit the website www.eduspot.co.uk and click on the sign in button in the top right-hand corner. In the drop down, select the School Money Parent Login option and this will send you through to a page where you need to enter your mobile number, email address, the password we have sent to you and your child's first name. After paying the initial deposit you can choose to pay the remaining balance in as many instalments as you wish. Alternatively, we accept debit card payments, cheque and cash at the School Office. A savings scheme card is available to keep a record of any cheque/cash payments, (please send in with payment). The remaining balance of £100 must be paid on or before Monday 16th March 2020. If any parents find themselves in difficult circumstances and want to discuss alternative payment options please speak to Mrs Meyfroidt in school.

Any cash/cheque payments must be handed in to the School Office in a sealed envelope marked with your child's name and 'Edinburgh Trip', cheques 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 **£40** to be paid by Friday 1st November 2019
- Remaining **£100** to be paid by Monday 16th March 2020

Thank you for your support,
Yours sincerely,

Liz Meyfroidt

Andy Phillips



Please return to the School Office by Friday 1st November 2019:
Y6 Residential Trip to Edinburgh in June 2020

Child's name: _____

Class **LM / AP**

I enclose the non-refundable deposit of £40 cash/cheque *

I have paid the non-refundable deposit of £40 online *

*delete as appropriate

and confirm that I shall pay the balance of £100 by Monday 16th March 2020. I understand that the deposit cannot be refunded.

Signed:(parent/carer) _____

Date: _____

