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Tuesday 31st October 2017

Y3 and Year 5 Theatre Visit: The Secret Garden

Theatre by the Lake - Keswick

Thursday 11th January 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

Last year, Year 3 and Year 5 enjoyed a brilliant visit to the theatre in Keswick to watch The Emperor and The Nightingale. This year, we would like to take the Year 3 and Year 5 children to watch a magical performance of The Secret Garden. The play has been adapted for the stage from Frances Hodgson Burnett's much loved classic and will be performed by the outstandingly talented in-house company in the beautiful Theatre by the Lake, on the shore of Derwentwater, Keswick.

We will leave school at 10.30am, hoping to arrive in Keswick by 11.15am, allowing us plenty of time to take a stroll down to the shore to admire the fabulous views across to Cat Bells and down Borrowdale. It also allows us time to enjoy our packed lunch picnic in a room kindly set aside by the Theatre; it could be a tad chilly, even if very picturesque, for a picnic on the shore of Derwentwater in January! The play starts at 1.30pm and lasts for approximately two hours with a short interval during which, the children will all receive an ice cream. We aim to leave Keswick at 3.15pm, arriving back at Ghyllside at approximately 4.30pm, depending on traffic. Naturally, we will keep the office staff informed of traffic conditions and our anticipated return time.

Children will need their usual snack and packed lunch with drinks. **An important change to our usual visits is that ALL children will need to bring a packed lunch even if they usually receive a free school meal.** If any parents find this a difficulty, please contact the school office. The children do not need to bring any money as the ice cream in the interval is part of the package offered to school groups by the theatre.



The visit will cost £18.00 per child and parents are asked to make a voluntary contribution of £18.00 towards the cost of the visit. If insufficient funds to cover all costs are received, the trip may not take place. If any parents feel that they need additional help to make the payments please contact either of us or the ladies in the office. Please return the completed permission slip together with payment to your child's class teacher by **Friday 1st December**. We absolutely need to have the payment for the visit by this date or the Theatre by the Lake will not hold the booking for us and will offer it to another school.

Many thanks for your ongoing support providing our children with fantastic opportunities.

Michelle Crowley Helen Baron Dan Duxbury Paul Giblin Jane Reedy

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I would like my child _____ to go to see The Secret Garden. I enclose a cheque/cash for £18.00.

Delete as appropriate:

I give my permission for my child to walk home from school at 4.30pm (Year 5!)

I shall collect my child from Ghyllside at 4.30pm.

My child will go to After School Club at 4.30pm.

Signature of parent/carer _____

