

Ghyllside Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

10th July 2019

Y4 Visit: Theatre by the Lake, Keswick - A Christmas Carol **Monday 25th November 2019**

In January, Years 3, 4 and 5 enjoyed a brilliant visit to the theatre in Keswick to watch Beauty and the Beast. This year, we would like to take the Year 4 children to watch a festive performance of A Christmas Carol. The play has been adapted for the stage from Dickens' classic tale set on Christmas Eve and will be performed by the outstandingly talented in-house company in the Theatre by the Lake, on the shore of Derwentwater, Keswick.

We will leave school at 10.30am, hoping to arrive in Keswick by 11.30am, 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 or on the picnic benches overlooking the lake if the weather is kind. 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 3.30 – 3.45pm, arriving back at Ghyllside at approximately 4.45pm, depending on traffic. Please be at school to collect your child from 4.45pm. If they are to go to ASC, one of the staff will escort them there from the coach.

Children will need their usual snack and packed lunch with drinks. **ALL children will need to bring a packed lunch even if they usually receive a free school meal.** 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.

Parents are asked to make a voluntary contribution of £18.50 to cover 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 the Year 4 teachers or the school office. For this trip you can choose to make payment and consent online. You will receive a text message with your password to give you access to your SchoolMoney 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 SchoolMoney 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. Alternatively we accept debit card, cheque or cash. Please return the completed permission slip together with payment, if you are paying by cheque or cash to the school office by **Monday 30th September**. 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.

The Year 4 Team

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Please return to the school office by Monday 30th September

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I would like my child _____ to go to see A Christmas Carol.

I have paid online ()

I enclose a cheque/cash for £18.50 ()

I shall collect my child from Ghyllside School at 4.45pm ()

My child will go to After School Club at 4.45pm ()

Signature of Parent/Carer _____ Contact No. _____