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We follow in Christ's footsteps

Friday 21st October 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

Residential Retreat at Emmaus Village, Allensford

Our current Year 5 pupils are being offered a very exciting opportunity to attend a residential retreat at the Emmaus Village in Allensford. This will take place on **Monday 27th March until Wednesday 29th March 2022**. It will involve a 2-night stay. We will be attending alongside Year 5 pupils from St. Joseph's, Stanley and St. Mary's, South Moor.

Pupils will be collected by coach from school on the Monday morning and taken to the Emmaus Village where they will be led by the Youth Mission Team in a variety of small group workshops and big group activities. They will return to school on the Wednesday afternoon ready for the usual end of day school arrangements.

The overall cost of the residential retreat would be £84, however as Fr Damian has kindly offered to contribute £38 per pupil. Costings will be greatly reduced to £46. This includes travel, en-suite shared room, shared lounge/kitchen area, breakfast of cereal and toast, lunch, 2-course evening meal and use of extensive grounds. The retreat programme that the children will participate in is a mixture of workshops, involving praise and worship, reflection, dance, drama, art and music.

A virtual information sharing session, led by Mrs Gardner, is taking place on **Monday 7th November 4 – 4.30pm**, to explain the visit in more detail. All parents/carers of pupils in Y5 will be sent a link to access the meeting.

If you would like your child to take part in this visit, a deposit of £10 will be required by **Friday 11th November** on ParentPay. You will be required to tick the 'consent' box when you pay your deposit. You can then pay the remaining amount in full or in monthly instalments.

If you have any difficulties regarding payment please don't hesitate to contact school privately.

Participation in activities such as this, will always depend on our pupils demonstrating on-going good behaviour.

Many thanks, as always, for your support.

Mrs Gardner
Head of School

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