



# St James' Church of England Junior School

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Dear Parent / Carer,

## ESKDALE RESIDENTIAL WEDNESDAY 15<sup>TH</sup> – FRIDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2025

Annually when our pupils are in year 6 they have the opportunity to go on a residential trip, this year they will be going to Eskdale. This trip will incorporate travelling on the Ravenglass and Eskdale railway, canoeing, bush craft, orienteering, a river walk and a visit Muncaster castle. The activities support our Geography, Art and PE curriculum. The accommodation is at the YHA Eskdale and a team of well qualified instructors from High Points Adventure will lead the outdoor sports activities. School staff will also be in attendance.

We appreciate that due to the cost of living some families may be struggling financially, so we will be arranging a fundraising event and school will also subsidise to help lower the cost. However, we are asking for a contribution of £150 per pupil (*original cost £250 per pupil*). This will cover the cost of accommodation, food, equipment required along with the expert tuition.

Payments for this residential are to be made through ParentPay. To secure you child's place a deposit of **£30 is due by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> March.**

The remaining balance of the trip can be paid in full or by the suggested following installments:

- £25 by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May
- £25 by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> July
- £25 by Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August
- £25 by Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September
- Final payment of £20 by Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October

We have asked that you give consent for this trip along with any medical / dietary information on ParentPay. If you do not have access to ParentPay please contact school for alternate arrangements.

Children eligible for free school meals at the time of the trip (October 2025) may be entitled to have part of their trip paid for them. For further details please contact school.

[Please also be advised that good behaviour is essential in school at all times for your child to be able to take part in this residential.](#)

Many thanks  
Mrs Merritt  
Residential Group Leader

