

July 2017

**Dear Parents** 

## Year 7 Visit to Northumberland Autumn 2017

I am looking forward to welcoming your son/daughter to St Aidan's Church of England High School in September and to working closely with you over the next few years, so that together we can support your child. As a school, we see extra-curricular activities and residential trips as being of immense value to individual students within the particular year groups and at St Aidan's, there is the opportunity for every pupil to undertake different challenges/experiences that we hope will contribute to their all-round education.

This year, Year 7 pupils with go on a three-day/two-night residential trip to Northumberland in the Autumn Term. This provides our pupils with the splendid opportunity of getting to know each other better, forming new friendships and strengthening the ones they already have, whilst having a fun-filled time.

We will be staying at the residential centre Dukeshouse Wood, near Hexham (www.kingswood.co.uk)

- Forms C, D, E, G and H will leave the morning of **Monday 30 October 2017** and return around 16:30 on **Wednesday 1 November 2017**
- Forms P, S, W and Y will follow the same programme leaving St Aidan's on Wednesday 1 November 2017 and returning around 16:30 on Friday 3 November 2017.

All the children will spend their first day at Beamish Museum before travelling to the centre where they will undertake many exciting activities before returning to school.

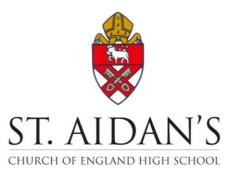
The cost of the trip is £170.00, which includes transport by coach to Beamish and Dukeshouse Wood, together with accommodation, entrance to Beamish, food and all activities. A packed lunch will be required for lunch at Beamish Museum on the first day of the trip. Please make payment either:

- in full by Friday 15 September 2017 or
- in two instalments of £50.00 by Friday 11 August 2017 and £120.00 by Friday 15 September 2017.

Our preferred method of payment is by ParentPay and details of how to register are enclosed. If you choose to pay by cheque (payable to St Aidan's C of E High School), please return the attached form with your cheque.

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School trips including residential visits form an important part of the curriculum offered at St Aidan's High School. Outdoor learning provides wonderful opportunities to build on essential skills that help children grow into confident, independent and successful adults.

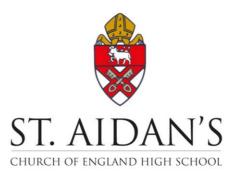
When accompanying children on a school trip, staff are acting in *'loco parentis'* just as they do in school. However, trips away from the normal school environment involve taking into account different routines and environments, which demand that pupils are able to show an increased level of responsibility and maturity. Please help us by reinforcing to your child our expectations on behaviour in order that every child can gain the maximum out of the trip.

Please contact Mrs Collins, the Trips Administrator, on 01423 818527 if you need any further information regarding the trip or the Finance Office if you have any difficulties with payment or need help with ParentPay.

Regards

Mr S Taylor Head of Year 7

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## ST AIDAN'S CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL – NORTHUMBERLAND TRIP 2017

<ul> <li>I have paid the full amount of £170.00</li> <li>I have paid the deposit of £50.00 and will remaining balar by 15 September 2017</li> </ul>	nce of £120.00
Name of Pupil	Form
Signed Parent/Guardian:	Form
Medical and Dietary Information will be taken from the information you supply to school. If you would like any further information added, please write this below:	

If paying by cheque, please return this completed form and cheque to the Finance Department by **15** September 2017 to the Finance Department

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