



ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

May 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

The Great Yorkshire Show - Year 7/8 Tuesday 9 July, Year 9 Wednesday 10 July 2019

As a school, we are proposing to take students in Years 7-9 on an end of year trip to The Great Yorkshire Show. Tickets are able to be purchased at £7.50 per person with students being escorted to the show at 09:00 and returning in time for the buses at 15:35. Staff will be on duty at specific locations at the show site during the day; however students will be free to move around the site with their friends during the time they are there.

Students in Years 7 & 8 will be attending the show on Tuesday 9 July 2019 and those in Year 9 on Wednesday 10 July 2019. Please note that requests for attendance on any other day **will not** be authorised. Parents are reminded that this is a normal school day and students who go to the show with school **must return** with the school party. We would be grateful if parents do not ask members of staff to release students to go home early or join them at the show. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

The cost of the trip is £7.50 and payment should be made on ParentPay by Friday 21 June 2019. Students should bring a **packed lunch and a drink** or alternatively **money to purchase food at the Showground**. Due to our inclement weather, students must wear suitable clothing, which is appropriate for the day's forecast – a rucksack containing waterproofs, would always be useful! Students are reminded that inappropriate items such as BB Guns, fireworks, knives, toy/replica guns etc should not be bought whilst at the show - **if unsure do not buy it!**

School trips form an important part of the curriculum offered at St Aidan's. 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. In order to participate in any trip, the school staff have to be confident that a pupil will be able to cope with the challenges that the trip presents.

The school will look at the behaviour, the attendance and the wellbeing of a pupil and decide whether they are able to cope with these demands **before** accepting the pupil onto any trip out of school. The decision to allow a child to participate will be taken between the trip leader, the head of year and senior staff. Once a pupil has been accepted onto a trip then, if in the time between gaining a place on the trip and the departure, staff have concerns again about the pupil's participation in the trip, the school reserves the right to withdraw the pupil's place.

Regards

John Wood
Headteacher

Headteacher: Mr J Wood

St. Aidan's Church of England High School, Oatlands Drive, Harrogate, North Yorkshire HG2 8JR

Tel: 01423 885814 • Fax: 01423 884327 • Email: admin@staidans.co.uk • www.staidans.co.uk