

12th September 2024

Dear Parents or Carers

Year 8 - End of Year Celebration Visit

As many of you will be aware, as a way of celebrating their time at Ryecroft we like to run a visit for our Year 8 pupils towards the end of the summer term. In previous years the visits have involved a two day visit to London, or a day visit to Liverpool.

Alongside our wish to acknowledge and reward our pupils for their successful time with us, we are conscious of the financial challenges that many families are facing at the moment. In addition, we are aware that a number of parents have already a financial commitment to the forthcoming French visit.

We want to ensure that as many pupils as possible are able to access the visit and so we have looked at a choice of visits. In order to establish the level of interest in a visit, can you please click on the link below and complete the Registration of Interest form, **by Sunday 29th September 2024** indicating which of the options you are interested in and also the order of preference. We will then use the collective responses to identify the most popular and inclusive choice. If there is sufficient interest, we will send a further letter with details of the preferred visit including a payment schedule.

<https://forms.office.com/e/7x9K0qi0TX>

We have included example itineraries and estimated costs, however please be aware these are only indicative and may alter slightly once the itinerary is finalised. The final price may also vary depending upon the level of interest (certain costs, such as the coach are fixed irrespective of the number of pupils) and as such if numbers fall too low then the visit will become unviable. (In previous years those pupils in receipt of Pupil Premium have received a 50% contribution towards the cost of the visit.)

Although the visit is open to all Year 8 pupils, the School reserves the right to refuse participation to any pupil whose behaviour in school is judged unacceptable. Once the coach, tickets and hotel booking have been made the school cannot guarantee that refunds will be available, including for those pupils excluded from the visit on behavioural grounds.

The visit is always extremely well received by the pupils and offers a fantastic highlight towards the end of their time at Ryecroft.

Yours sincerely



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