



Dear Parent/ Carer,

Year 8 Humanities Trip to Beamish – Thursday 7th March 2024

To support their curriculum learning in both Geography and History, our year 8 students will visit Beamish Museum on Thursday 7th March 2024.

Students will arrive at school for the usual time of 08:25am and will attend form time as normal. On transition to period 1, students will instead meet in the Dining Hall, where they will be arranged into their class groups, ready for coach departure.

During their visit, students will be able to explore the wide variety of activities that the museum has to offer, linking their learning to Changing Economic Activity (Geography) and The Industrial Revolution (History). Students will also take part in a decision making exercise, focussed on the 1842 Collieries Act and will vote to decide whether legislation should be introduced, to limit those that would be eligible to work underground.

Students will return to school just before the end of the school day to allow them to attend their extracurricular activities and travel home as they usually would.

Children will need to bring a packed lunch with them on the day. Those eligible for free school meals, will be provided with one from school. For this occasion, we will permit students to wear non-school uniform. May we please politely request that this is appropriate dress:

- Short skirts and shorts are not permitted.
- Tops must not be revealing and must not expose bare midriffs, nor may they contain any offensive language or swear words.
- The usual school rules for jewellery, hairstyles and make-up stand for this non-uniform day.

It is important that students adhere to these guidelines to be permitted on to the trip on the day. In addition, due to the time of year, it is essential that students wear warm clothes, a warm coat and, if they have them, come to school with hat and gloves.

Whilst the cost of the trip is paid for by the school, we would like to ask for a voluntary contribution of £8 per child, towards the cost of the transport. This is payable via Parent Pay.

Best wishes,

Mrs Ford-Hutchinson (Teacher of Geography/ Character Development Champion)