

GRANGETOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL



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Headteacher: Mr Les McAnaney
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Monday 16th October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

DERWENT HILL ADVENTURE 2024!

We have arranged a weekend at **Derwent Hill Outdoor Centre**. The weekend is **Friday 15th March 2024 until Sunday 17th March 2024**, and is open initially to Y6 children. If there are any remaining places, they will be offered to children in Year 5.

Derwent Hill is a 19th Century Mansion superbly situated amidst the lakes and mountains of the Lake District near Keswick. The children sleep in dormitories, which have bunk beds with duvet covers. The food is very good - the children have cooked meals and a packed lunch. All equipment e.g. wellies, waterproofs and bed linen is provided by the centre.

The weekend consists of going into the countryside and enjoying the natural environment, as well as encouraging co-operation and team building through outdoor activities. The children could be swinging on the 'Big Swing', canoeing or scrambling over rocks on the gorge walk.

This year, we are in a position to subsidise this trip, and we are pleased to tell you that the cost per child will be **£140**. The price includes all transport, accommodation, food, equipment and tuition by qualified instructors.

If you wish your child to be considered for a place, please sign the form and **return it school by Friday 3rd November 2023**. If your child is successful and gains a place, you will receive notification and a **non-returnable deposit of £40** must be paid by **Friday 17th November 2023**. A payment of £40 will be due by Friday 15th December 2023, a payment of £30 by Friday 2nd February 2024, and a final payment of £30 on Friday 1st March 2024. A payment card will be given when the deposit has been paid and this should be returned and signed each time a further payment is made.

Please be advised that, as group leader, I (Mrs Quinn) reserve the right to refuse to take pupils on the grounds of misbehaviour in school. Your child's behavior and attitude from now until the time of the trip will be taken into consideration. Derwent Hill is not part of the curriculum and is an additional activity offered to the children. These weekends are very enjoyable and children who have participated have gained a lot from the experience. Any child who's behaviour is not exemplary in school will not be allocated a place on this visit as we must ensure the safety of everyone involved. Once places are allocated, they can be revoked if behaviour expectations in school are not met. If you have any queries please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours sincerely

Mr L McAnaney
Headteacher

Mrs V Quinn
Year 6 Teacher

Derwent Hill Outdoor Centre - Weekend Residential

Name.....Class.....

Yes, I would like my child to be considered for a place at Derwent Hill Outdoor Centre and understand that gaining and keeping a place is based on good behaviour in school.

Signed.....(Parent/Carer)

Enjoy - Respect - Achieve

