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Dear Parent/Carer,

**CASTLERIGG MANOR YOUTH MINISTERS RETREAT**

We have an exciting opportunity for our Youth Ministry Team. We have booked a retreat at Castlerigg Manor, near Keswick. This trip is an opportunity for them to develop their skills as a Youth Minister while also having personal retreat time.

The retreat includes a range of events, as well as social opportunities and a variety of team building exercises. The retreat also offers pupils the chance to develop friendships, explore their faith and their own sense of identity, as well as important opportunities for reflection on their experiences and achievements over the course of the academic year.

The trip is scheduled to take place from Wednesday 6th January till Friday 8th January 2027, leaving school at 10.30am on Wednesday and returning at 3pm on Friday. The full cost of the trip will be £65.00.

An initial non-refundable deposit of £30.00 will be required and this can be paid via your child's iPay account, where your consent can also be given. We will require full payment of the outstanding balance by Friday 11th December 2026. This can be paid in instalments via the iPay account.

We would like all our Youth Ministry Team to join us, so if you need help with payment please contact the school. There will also be opportunities for fundraising to support this retreat.

If you have any questions regarding the trip, then please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

*Mrs Radcliffe*

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Lay Chaplain