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Dear Parent/Carer

**YEAR 7 – CASTLERIGG RETREAT DAY TRIP**

We are pleased to announce that this year, as part of our Religious Education studies, we will be taking the whole of Year 7 to attend a retreat at Castlerigg Manor near Keswick. This trip is an important part of the curriculum and will give pupils time to reflect in beautiful surroundings.

The retreat includes a range of activities including team-building exercises, group work and individual reflection. The retreat also offers pupils the chance to develop friendships and their own sense of identity.

The trip will take place on Tuesday 10 November 2026 for form groups 7API and 7CMM, and on Wednesday 11 November 2026 for form groups 7KAN and 7RAH. You will be able to see on iPay which date your child is attending.

We will leave school at 9.00am and will return by 3.00pm in time for the end of the school day. The cost of the trip is £18.50. This can be paid and consent given via your child's school iPay account under the fund "Year 7 Castlerigg Day Trip (date)."

Uniform is not required, although appropriate clothing and footwear suitable to take part in indoor and outdoor activities must be worn. Pupils will need to bring a packed lunch as well as enough drinks and snacks for the day. If your child receives a free school meal, then a packed lunch will be provided.

If you have any questions regarding the trip, please contact the school office.

Yours sincerely,

J Radcliffe

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