

Ripon Grammar School



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23rd June 2017

Dear Parents.

RE: Lightwater Valley trip for form competition winners (Saturday, 8th July, 2017)

As you may know, we run an annual inter-form competition throughout the course of the year, with forms competing in a number of contests, activities, and claiming merit points for excellent work or helpfulness to members of staff. At the start of the year, we gave the students a choice of what prize they would like to have as a reward for winning this form competition. Each form voted for a Saturday visit to Lightwater Valley.

We do not have a budget for prizes of this sort, however the school is willing to cover the costs of transport and make a small contribution to the cost of entry. (I should explain that the trip is not mandatory – and your right to ask that your child does not attend the trip is fully reserved.) The cost of the discounted tickets amounts to $\pounds 13.00$ per student (Normally £16.50). If you have any concerns regarding payment, please speak to Mr Barker in confidence.

We will leave school at <u>10.00am on Saturday 8th July</u>, and we anticipate being back in school by **4:30pm**. Students should bring a packed lunch with them or money to buy lunch at the theme park.

There will be six members of staff accompanying the trip. The students will be fully briefed on our expectations of their behaviour, and on the park's own guidelines for safety. Inside the park, it will not be possible to directly supervise all students at all times, so they will be instructed to remain in groups of no less than three, and a member of staff will be at a specified point in the park at all times should there be any problems. All students will also have a mobile number for a staff member within the park.

Should your child wish to go, we would be grateful if you could complete the attached permission slip and medical form, and make payment via ParentPay by Friday 30th June. Students should hand their permission slips and medical form into the lower school office by the same date.

We look forward to what should be a very enjoyable day.

Yours sincerely

Mr Barker (Head of Lower School)

Email: lowerschool@ripongrammar.co.uk

I give my permission for _____ (form) to go on the form trip to **Lightwater** Valley on Saturday 8th July. Please complete the accompanying medical form, and ensure it is returned to the lower school office no later than 30^{th} June. Payment for £13.00 should be made via ParentPay.

Signed:_____

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