

## Ripon Grammar School



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20th September 2019

Dear Parent or Guardian,

## Re - Tear 10 trip to the Ripon Museums, Tuesday, 15 October 2019

Students are about to embark on their study of Charles Dickens' novella *A Christmas Carol*, one of the set texts for their GCSE English Literature. They also study nineteenth century life and non-fiction texts for their GCSE English Language Paper Two: Views and Perspectives as part of the two year course. To assist in their understanding of the period, we have arranged for a trip on Tuesday, 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 for the whole year group to go to the three Ripon museums (the Courthouse, Workhouse and Police and Prison museum). Students will tour the three museums, learning about Ripon's social and judicial history, and then participate in a series of role plays and interactive discussions to explore some of the issues raised. Students will follow a programme of study devised by the museums to specifically cater for the demands of the new GCSE specifications.

Students will need to bring a packed lunch, a water bottle, a coat, and materials to write down notes. They will wear uniform for the whole day, and will walk to and between the museums, accompanied by staff. They will depart form school after morning registration and will return in time for the normal end of the school day and be able to catch their usual buses. As students will be walking between the different locations it will also be important that they bring a suitable coat on this day.

The cost is £9 per student and payment can be made via ParentPay. We are very keen that all year 10 students attend this trip: please contact me or Mr Fearnley, Head of English, in confidence with any concerns. My email address is <a href="mailto:marsh@ripongrammar.com">marsh@ripongrammar.com</a> or alternatively I am available Mondays to Wednesdays on 01765 602647.

Yours faithfully,

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