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Monday 26th February 2018

Dear Parents/Carers,

During Summer term, Lower Key Stage 2 are starting a history topic about the Romans. To launch this topic, Years 3 and 4 will be having a visit to the Danelaw Centre for Living History at Murton Park, near York. The trip will take place over three days and two classes will be visiting each day.

Wednesday 18th April 2018: **Maple Y4** and **Poplar Y3**

Thursday 19th April 2018: **Cedar Y4** and **Apple Y3**

Friday 20th April 2018: **Larch Y4** and **Hawthorn Y3**

The visit is led by two costumed members of the Living History team at the Centre. The children will play the part of new recruits, perhaps experiencing life away from home, family and friends for the first time. In groups, the children will perform a variety of tasks in and around the turf and timber Roman fort which has every facility required to make the visit as credible and realistic as possible. As well as group tasks, which include parade drill and marching practise under the direction of the Centurion, they will practise skills in small groups. These may include weapons training (Gladius and Javelin), guard duty and craft work. Emphasis is placed throughout the day on the use of role-play and scenarios to support the learning experience, and the children will have the opportunity to use period equipment and artefacts. They will take away anything they make and earn during the day.

Luckily, we were able to raise £444.75 from our LKS2 Enterprise Fair to bring the cost down by £2.80 for each child. The total cost for each child is now **£18.70**, which can be paid through ParentPay. Children will be expected to arrive in their classroom on their designated day at **8:40am**. It is crucial that the coach is able to leave school before 9am to arrive at Murton Park on time for the start of our visit. The children will need to wear their school uniform and bring a packed lunch. If your child receives a free school meal, a packed lunch can be provided. We expect to return back to Willow Tree at around 4pm, which is when your child should be collected. We may require parent helpers, however we are in the process of staffing the trip and will ask for support nearer the time.

We are very much looking forward to taking your child on this exciting school visit.

Lower Key Stage 2 team

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Please return this slip before Friday 16th March.

LKS2 Murton Park Visit - Wednesday 18th/Thursday 19th/Friday 20th April 2018

Name of child: _____ Class: _____

My child will be attending the LKS2 Murton Park visit. Yes/No

I have paid £18.70 via ParentPay. Yes/No

My child is entitled to Free School Meals and requires a packed lunch. Yes/No

Signed.....