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Year 5 Ilam Hall Residential (9th October – 11th October 2026)

13th October 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to announce that we are offering a residential visit to Ilam Hall with next year's Year 5 pupils over a weekend in October 2026. Ilam Hall Youth Hostel in Derbyshire is an impressive former stately home, surrounded by some of the most breath-taking scenery in Great Britain. The three-day trip (9th – 11th October 2026) is led by rangers who will lead the children on a selection of activities on site such as making egg rockets and craft activities. The children will also go hill walking through Dovedale and have the opportunity to use the stepping stones over the River Dove. Further activities will be planned nearer the time depending on numbers and weather. The facilities and food are excellent.

Please come along to the Ilam Hall talk with Mr Whitehead on Thursday 16th October 3.30 – 3.45 in Kingfishers classroom for more information about this exciting trip.

The total cost of the trip is approximately £250 per child but this will vary depending on final numbers- essentially the more who go the cheaper the cost so it could potentially be closer to £200. We will therefore send out final costings and a payment plan as soon as possible. Please note deposits and payments are non-refundable if you change your mind closer to the trip. If we are not able to go ahead with the trip due to lack of interest, deposits will however be refunded.

To clarify what school can and cannot support financially:

As the proposed residential is taking place at a weekend families must meet the full costs of the trip – both activities, board and lodging.

Parents can request to be exempt from the board and lodging element however, if they can prove that they are in receipt of one or more of the following benefits:

Income Support

Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance

Income-related Employment and Support Allowance

Support under part VI of the Immigration and Asylum Act 1999

The guaranteed element of State Pension Credit

Child Tax Credit, provided that they are not also entitled to Working Tax Credit and have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190

Working Tax Credit run-on – paid for four weeks after they stop qualifying for Working Tax Credit

Universal Credit – if they apply on or after 1 April 2018, their household income must be less than £7,400 a year (after tax and not including any benefits they receive)

Board and lodgings equate to approximately 38% of the total cost.



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Please confirm whether you would like a place for your child following the information in this letter by ticking one of the options in the link below by Friday 1st November.

<https://forms.office.com/e/eHe6rWNC5E>

A deposit of £50 is also required by via the MCAS app. Further information will be sent out soon, but in the meantime if you have any questions, please contact Mr Whitehead or Miss Pycock.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Whitehead and Miss Pycock

