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Dear

We are writing to give you the final details, which will help as you prepare for your child's holiday to Whithaugh Park (02/08/2008 - 07/08/2008). There are **still a few places left**, so if you know anyone who may be interested in coming, then please do let us know.

Please **read carefully** through each section of this letter. If you're unsure about anything, then please don't hesitate to contact me.

Travel

Your child will be travelling by coach leaving from the lay-by on **Moor Lane, Woodthorpe, York** on **Saturday 2nd August at 2:30pm**. A map has been enclosed.

Please can you make sure you arrive **at least 20 minutes** before we depart. Please ensure that you **label your child's luggage** with their name.

We are due to arrive back at **Moor Lane** on **Thursday 7th August** at approx **4:15pm**.

Kit

Please keep this to a **minimum**, but it should include the following:

Usual holiday clothes, warm clothing, sports wear, trainers, indoor shoes, swimming costume, waterproof coat, strong/sensible shoes for walking (preferably walking boots), a small rucksack/shoulder bag, a plastic drinking bottle, towels, toiletries, and a bible. The centre now provides all the bedding, so **no** sleeping bags, sheets and pillowcases are needed.

Additional kit requirements for your child's chosen activity are as follows:

- Gorge Walking - Intermediate: - *Old training shoes/boots. Arms and legs must be covered.*

Pocket Money

During the holiday your child will have some opportunities to spend their pocket money. Should you wish for them to bring some money with them (suggest between £10.00 - £15.00), we will be running a Camp Bank to keep your child's money safe, and would **strongly** advise that you use this facility. Anyone wishing to send money in advance can do so to the address above.

Insurance

We have taken out a holiday and travel insurance policy, which covers us against emergency medical expenses, personal accident, personal liability, organiser's liability and personal possessions. **If your child has a pre-existing medical condition your parent/guardian must telephone the Travellers Healthcheck as soon as possible on 08456 582999 to confirm that they will cover your condition and advise of any extra terms or conditions.** Further information about the insurance, including the cover provided is enclosed. Please ensure that your child doesn't bring valuables on the holiday. Our insurance does not cover wilful damage to Whithaugh Park property and unfortunately the parents/guardians of any child causing such damage are liable to meet the costs incurred.

Whithaugh Park

Our holiday address is **Whithaugh Park, Newcastleton, Roxburghshire. TD9 0TY**. The office telephone number is 01387 375394. In case of emergencies we can be contacted at Whithaugh Park on 01387 375754. Mick & Sarah Fox who are leading this holiday can be contacted on 07764 358967 or 07892 741794. However due to poor reception in the area, this number will not always be available.

Fees *

The remaining holiday fees are now due. The total cost of the holiday is £130.00. If you haven't yet paid the full cost of your child's holiday, the outstanding fees are £ . Please can you send cheques, payable to **York Christian Youth Holidays, by Saturday 28th June.**

Forms

Recently we sent you a variety of forms for your child, including medical, behaviour policy, images consent and an activity form, which were due to be returned. For those of you who still have to return any of these, or amend any that have not been fully completed, we have enclosed the appropriate forms.

Note: It is vital that these fees and forms are returned by Saturday 28th June. Failure to do so may result in loss of insurance, loss of activities or possible cancellation of your holiday.

Activities

For those who returned your child's activity form, we are pleased to tell you that their chosen activity is:

As mentioned before, places have been filled on first come first served basis. We have tried to accommodate everybody, but certain activities were over subscribed. For the few children that this affects, we have ensured that they will be doing one of their reserve activities. If you haven't yet returned your child's activity form, you need to contact the office **as soon as possible**, to determine which activities are still available.

Questionnaire

At the end of the holiday, we ask all the campers to fill out a questionnaire about the holiday. This helps to analyse how the holiday went, receive suggestions for future years, and find out what your child learnt about the Christian faith.

Thanksgiving Meeting

On **Saturday 9th August**, there will be an informal meeting with refreshments at **Tang Hall Community Centre, Fifth Avenue, Tang Hall, York** starting at **7:30p.m.** It will be a great chance for you to find out what your child did and to meet the leaders and other young people from the holiday. This will be held jointly with our Senior Camp, who will have just returned earlier in the day.

If you require any further information, then please don't hesitate to contact the office on 01904 705004, mobile 07985 610759, or our email address office@ycyh.org.uk.

As mentioned above, Mick & Sarah Fox are leading this holiday, along with a team of leaders. If you have any specific requests in terms of the practicalities or requirements for your child's holiday, they can be contacted on 01759 304998, mobiles 07764 358967 or 07982741794, or alternatively you can email them on thefoxesden32@btinternet.com.

Yours sincerely,

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