



# Headlands Community Primary School

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Ref: Y5/6 trip to York and the Castle Museum

Monday 1st June 2026

Dear Parents/Carers,

Our topic this term is 'Crime and Punishment' and to support and consolidate the children's learning we have organised a visit to York and the Castle Museum on **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> June**.

During the day, the children will have the opportunity to learn about the history of crime and punishment in York. We will take them on a guided tour to visit many of the locations where significant historical events took place. Also we will be visiting the Castle Museum and particularly the York County Gaol: the main debtors' prison for the whole of Yorkshire and the site of a prison for over seven hundred years. Each class will also tour the full museum and exhibits.

The doors will be open as usual at 8:45am and we will be departing at 9:40am. We aim to be back at school in good time for the usual end of day collection routines.

Your child will need to come dressed in their **school uniform** and bring a packed lunch and enough drink for the day. Suitable footwear will also be required as will a waterproof jacket and/or sun hat depending on the forecast. They will only require 40p cash in case they need to use the toilet facilities in York but no other money is allowed.

The transport cost of this visit for each child, is £7.30. Please arrange payment via School Money. **To give permission** for your child to participate in the visit to York you must tick the consent box next to the payment (this stage does not require payment). **The deadline for both payment and consent is Sunday, 14<sup>th</sup> June**. If you have any issues with the School Money website, please contact the school office via email at [headlands.primary@york.gov.uk](mailto:headlands.primary@york.gov.uk).

To ensure we meet our pupil to adult ratio, we both need and would welcome extra adult support. If you hold a current CRB/DBS for the school and can commit to joining us, we would really appreciate it. **Please let us know no later than Friday 5<sup>th</sup> June**, by emailing the school office at [headlands.primary@york.gov.uk](mailto:headlands.primary@york.gov.uk), marking the subject box as **Y5/6 York Trip**. In an attempt to keep costs to a minimum, seats on the coach are limited so we will let you know whether we are able to take up your offer via email and text by Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June. If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate email us.

The school Charging and Remissions Policy (available on the school website) states that while no child would be excluded from an activity on the basis of cost, we do rely on contributions from parents for many of the 'extra experiences' provided by school and we are grateful for the level of support we receive. If circumstances arise that insufficient funds have been collected, then as a school we would need to cancel the visit and re-fund parents who have paid. In planning the curriculum all teachers will have due regard to the prohibitive costs of some excursions and visiting speakers. If a parent is concerned about the cost of a visit, this can always be sensitively discussed with your child's class teacher or a member of the school senior leadership team.

Thank you for your continued support.

The Y5/6 Team

