

14 December 2023

Dear Parent / Guardian,

Final Week Arrangements – Non-Uniform Day & Airedale’s Winter Tour 2023

We would like to share the arrangements for the final week including the details for Airedale’s Winter Tour 2023. This is one of the most exciting weeks in the year and we are really looking forward to it.

Wednesday 20 December 2023 – Christmas Non-Uniform Day

Students will be allowed to wear suitable non-uniform in return for a donation of non-perishable food for our friends at Airedale Food Bank.

All students will have Christmas celebration assemblies where attendance and PRIDE awards will be presented. Christmas lunch will be served in the canteen for all students (other menu options will also be available).

Thursday 21 December 2023 – Airedale Winter Tour; Morning of the Trip

Students should arrive via the main gate at the ‘arrival time at school’ time listed in the table below. The trip noticeboard will direct students to the correct area of school to wait. Pupils who do not arrive at the time indicated below may not be able to access their trip.

Lunch

If your child is eligible for free school meals and you have requested a packed lunch, this will be ready on the morning of the tour. If your tour has a lunch provided, it will be indicated in the table below.

Money and Valuables

You may give your child a small amount of money. Most venues are **now cashless**. It is advisable to bring both cash and card/apple pay on the trip. They will be solely responsible for the money/cards they bring.

Mobile Phones

Exceptionally, these may be brought for Airedale’s Winter Tour. Students should ask for specific permission before taking photos of peers or staff. Students should NOT post onto social media images of any member of Airedale Academy staff.

Drinks

Please provide your child with a suitable drink. A refillable water bottle is ideal. No glass bottles or fizzy drinks please.

Arrival Time at School, Trip Departure and Return Times

Please ensure that students are in school in time for registration as indicated below. Return times to school are approximate due to traffic conditions. If the return time is much later than published, we will text out. Please ensure that your child has safe passage home from school.

Ambition • Bravery • Respect

Behaviour

High standards of behaviour are paramount to the safety and enjoyment of all and as ever, we reserve the right to remove any students who do not show that. Final eligibility rests with our staff.

Dress Code

Whilst we do not expect students to wear school uniform on this day, we do have a dress code, which must be adhered to. Clothes which have offensive slogans or are revealing such as miniskirts, high-cut shorts, crop tops are not acceptable. Jewellery must not be worn for any physical activity.

Students not taking part on the trip

Students who are not taking part in a trip should attend school as normal and will be directed into an alternative curriculum of educational activities.

Friday 22 December 2023 – INSET day

School closed to all students and staff.

Stockeld Park	Arrival time at school	08.30 am	Departure time	From 14.30 pm	Return time to school	19.30 pm
	<p>Lunch: Normal lunch in school. Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential. Other: Payments at Stockeld are by card only. Students will follow the alternative curriculum of educational activities in the morning and leave for the trip afterschool.</p>					
Man City Stadium Tour	Arrival time at school	08.15 am	Departure time	08.45 am	Return time to school	17.00 pm
	<p>Lunch: Bring a packed lunch, (FSM students will receive a pack-up) Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential. Other: Payments may be cashless.</p>					
York Chocolate and Ice	Arrival time at school	08.00 am	Departure time	08.30 am	Return time to school	16.00 pm
	<p>Lunch: Bring a packed lunch, (FSM students will receive a pack-up) or bring money to buy food at York Outlets Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential. Other: Payments may be cashless at some outlets. It is advisable to bring a mixture of cash and card.</p>					
Cinema and Bowling	Arrival time at school	08.15 am	Departure time	08.45 am	Approx. end time	2.35pm
	<p>Lunch: Students will be provided with a meal at bowling. Dress: Students will need a coat, hat and gloves, as the majority will be walking to and from Xscape on foot. Non-ambulant students will be transported. End of trip arrangements: Parents have the option to allow us to dismiss their child directly from Xscape. This means that the parent is responsible for arrangements from this point. Parents can arrange to pick-up directly at Xscape or arrange for students to make their own way home. Students are booked into Tenpin bowling at 12.30pm for two games of bowling & a meal. Tenpin estimate the end time to be 2.35pm and students will not be dismissed until 2.35pm. Students walking back to school will take approximately an hour. Due to risk assessment arrangements, we cannot arrange for students to be accompanied only part of the way and therefore, they can either be dismissed from Xscape or must be accompanied back to school. Film Choices: The film choices are The Marvels (BBFC rating 12A) or Wonka (BBFC rating PG) Please provide the additional information required about your child will be required to walk back to the academy. Either click the link or scan the code to the right: https://forms.office.com/e/YL5gXbZbPZ The latest for this information is 20 December 2023 at 3pm.</p> 					
Escape Room Leeds	Arrival time at school	08.15am	Departure time	08.50 am	Return time to school	14.30 pm
	<p>Lunch: A festive buffet is provided between games. Please ensure all medical and dietary requirements are up to date on MCAS. Dress: The rooms can become cold, so a coat, hat and gloves are strongly advisable. Other: Phones cannot be used in the rooms and there is strictly no photography allowed. This is a requirement of the Escape Room rather than a school rule and participants who do not adhere to this will be removed by the host.</p>					
Escape Room York	Arrival time at school	08.00 am	Departure time	08.30 am	Return time to school	16.00 pm
	<p>After the Escape rooms, students will now have some time in York Outlets. Lunch: Lunch is NOT provided. Students will be taken to the York Outlets after the Escape Rooms to buy lunch. FSM students will receive a pack-up. Dress: The rooms can become cold, so a coat, hat and gloves are strongly advisable. Other: Phones cannot be used in the rooms and there is strictly no photography allowed. This is a requirement of the Escape Room rather than a school rule and participants who do not adhere to this will be removed by the host.</p>					
Go Karting East	Arrival time at school	08.00 am	Departure time	09.45 am	Return time to school	17.00 pm

Midlands	<p>Lunch: Students are not allowed to consume their own food onsite. There is a café that is cashless only that makes freshly cooked pizzas. (FSM student will be provided with something from the café)</p> <p>Dress: All safety equipment is supplied. Children must be dressed appropriately. Students should wear warm clothing that they don't mind getting dirty, as drivers will wear a race suit over their own clothes. Please ensure your child is wearing closed toe-shoes – trainers are ideal.</p> <p>Waiver: Parents must sign their child up through the online waiver. You should have been sent a guide on how to complete the waiver. Please contact the office if you have not received this guide: https://www.teamworkskarting.com/checkin/?bookingref=696261</p> <p>If the waiver is not completed, drivers will be unable to race.</p> <p>Other: Drivers need to be over 125cm to drive.</p>					
Go Karting York, Golf and Bowling	Arrival time at school	08.30 am	Departure time	09.00 am	Return time to school	16.30 pm
<p>Lunch: Lunch is provided on this trip although students may wish to bring a packed lunch/money to buy extras.</p> <p>Dress: For go-karting, York Motorsport Village supplies all the safety equipment. Children must be dressed appropriately. Students should wear warm clothing that they don't mind getting dirty, as drivers will wear a race suit over their own clothes. Please note that open-ended footwear (sandals) are not permitted. Balaclavas can be purchased for just £1.50 each from YMSV but are not mandatory. For Hollywood Bowl, you will be wearing your own shoes and they too recommend flat-soled, closed toe shoes (so trainers are ideal!)</p> <p>Other: Drivers need to be over 127cm to drive.</p> <p>At Hollywood Bowl and Puttstars, there is a cashpoint and change machine for the amusements.</p>						
Snow White and Christmas Markets	Arrival time at school	08.15 am	Departure time	08.50 am	Return time to school	14.30 pm
<p>Lunch: Bring a packed lunch, (FSM students will receive a pack-up) or bring money to buy food at the Christmas Market after the show.</p> <p>Dress: Coat, hat and gloves are essential for Christmas Market after show</p> <p>Other: Leeds Christmas Markets prefer cash payments, but cashless payments are acceptable at most stalls.</p>						
Shrek and Madame Tussauds	Arrival time at school	07.30 am	Departure time	08.00 am	Return time to school	18.30pm
<p>Lunch: Bring a packed lunch, (FSM students will receive a pack-up) or bring money to buy food on Blackpool's promenade after Madame Tussauds.</p> <p>Dress: Coat, hat and gloves are essential for Christmas Market after show</p> <p>Other: Students may wish to make a pre-order of a drink/ice cream for the interval. These will be delivered directly to the seat. These can be pre-ordered here: https://order.pointone.co.uk/912-opera-house/?seat=1-7-1976&qv The information required is Date: Thursday 21 Dec, Time: 2.00pm, Seat: G27. The usher will bring the items in bulk to the teacher during the interval to distribute out to students.</p>						
Big Splash/Skate at Doncaster Dome	Arrival time at school	07.30 am	Departure time	08.00 am	Return time to school	14.30 pm
<p>Lunch: Students will be taken to McDonald's across from Doncaster Dome between sessions and will need some form of payment for this. (FSM students will be provided with a McDonald's)</p> <p>Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential. For swimming, a full swimming costume is required for girls and swim shorts for boys. No bikinis or similar.</p> <p>Waiver: Parents must sign their child up through the online waiver for ice skating. You should have been sent a guide on how to complete the waiver. Please contact the office if you have not received this guide: https://attractions.dclt.co.uk/waiver/?orderid=177809-FN37-66BP</p> <p>If the waiver is not completed, students will be unable to take part in ice skating.</p>						
The Hut Assisted Visit	Arrival time at school	08.30 am	Departure time	09.00 am	Return time to school	14.30 pm
<p>Lunch: Lunch will be provided.</p> <p>Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential.</p> <p>Other: Students will walk or be transported by minibus</p> <p>Students who go on to the Stockeld Assisted visit will return to school and then take part in the second trip.</p>						
Stockeld Assisted	Arrival time at school	08.30 am	Departure time	15.00pm	Return time to school	19.30pm

Visit

Lunch: Normal lunch in school for those not on The Hut Assisted Visit

Dress: Coat, hat, gloves are essential.

Other: Payments at Stockeld are by **card only**.

Other: Students will be transported by minibus

If you have any questions about the trip, please contact the academy office.

Yours faithfully,

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