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6th November 2021

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Gothic and Detective Fiction Residential – Ilam

Trip Leader: Miss B Angris

We are thrilled to invite your child to our first ever **Year 7 Gothic and Detective Fiction Residential** at Ilam Hall. We would love to take all of the Year 7s on an adventure to learn about setting a spooky Gothic scene, using the imposing Ilam Hall for inspiration, and then they will need to put their detective hats on for an interactive murder mystery dinner!

Here is the Proposed Itinerary:

Monday 21st February 2022:

- 7 x-side depart to Ilam Hall via coach after registration, approximately 9.30am
- Arrive and do an activity based upon Gothic settings, with a walk if nice enough weather
- Packed lunch
- Writing activities based upon creating characters for Gothic and Detective fiction
- Murder Mystery dinner (led by a professional company)

Tuesday 22nd February 2022:

- Breakfast at Ilam Hall for 7 x-side then coaches to return them to QEGS at approximately 9.30am
- 7 x-side return to normal lessons (they will be provided with a packed lunch to eat at school)

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- 7 y-side depart to Ilam Hall via coach after registration approximately 9.45am
 - Arrive and do an activity based upon Gothic settings, with a walk if nice enough weather
 - Packed lunch
 - Writing activities based upon creating characters for Gothic and Detective fiction
 - Murder Mystery dinner (led by a professional company)

Wednesday 23rd February 2022:

- Breakfast at Ilam Hall for 7 y-side then coaches to return them to QEGS at approximately 9.30am
- 7 y-side return to normal lessons (they will be provided with a packed lunch to eat at school)

What Will Students Need To Wear and Pack?

Students should arrive to school on the day they are leaving for Ilam Hall in their QEGS PE Kit, wearing trainers and raincoats suitable for walking in (they might get muddy so bring a plastic bag to put them in).

Students will need to pack:

- Their school bag with equipment and books for the day they return to QEGS (ready for normal lessons)
- A small overnight bag containing: 'smart' evening wear for our Murder Mystery dinner party; pyjamas and slippers/slipper socks; toiletries; towel (if they want to shower...); school uniform and shoes (for their return to school); a **small** amount of money for purchasing an ice cream/hot chocolate (recommended £3-5)
- Medication (which must be labelled with their name and how/when the child needs to take it; this will be handed in to their group leader, unless it is something they have to keep on them).

What Do You Need To Do Now?

The total cost of the trip is £40.50pp which is to be paid via ParentPay*, the deadline for payments is Monday 29th November 2021. If you would like your child to attend, but are unable to make a financial contribution, please contact Miss Angris (Angris@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk) by **Monday 14th November**. If you have problems making payment via ParentPay, you should contact finance@qegs.email as soon as possible.

Please can you also complete this short form for your child, so that we have all of the relevant information for them in one place? There is space on there for you to write anything you would like us to be aware of, ahead of taking your child on this trip.

<https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=PYCwG3TptkKUJQEK3Byuansq7AUJYBxFmCWa2pY-iaxUM0RRS1FRUVNJQ1NTUEtFTjIFNUtCQk9BWC4u>

Should you, or your child, have any further questions, please email Angris@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Yours faithfully



Miss Angris
Deputy Head of English

*by clicking the "consent" button on ParentPay to confirm the payment detailed above, you are also confirming that the emergency contact and medical details we have on our system are correct for your child. Please inform school as a matter of urgency should there be any changes to the details we hold.