



# St Robert of Newminster Catholic School and Sixth Form College

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**Chair of Governors:** Mrs A Nichols

**13<sup>th</sup> January 2023**

Dear Parent/Carer,

We have great pleasure to invite your child to the Year 7 retreat to Holy Island in July where they will stay in the SVP Camp.

The trip dates are as follows:

Monday 10<sup>th</sup> – Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> July: Durham House and Finchale House

Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> – Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July: Lindisfarne House and Whitby House

The cost of the trip is £70.00 which includes full board accommodation, programme of activities, transport and insurance.

There are 70 places available for each trip and they will be allocated for each house at random by being picked out of a hat. The trip will be popular and there will be a waiting list.

If you wish your child to be considered, please complete the online booking form attached to the link on the text message no later than Friday 27<sup>th</sup> January. If your child is successful in getting a place, you will be notified at the beginning of February.

If successful, all payments are to be paid through the ParentPay system. You can log into your account at [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) using your unique login and password. If you experience any problems with ParentPay, please contact our Finance Team at [finance@str.bwcet.com](mailto:finance@str.bwcet.com) for help.

A **Non-refundable deposit of £30.00** will be required to secure your place no later than Friday 17<sup>th</sup> March. The final payment of £40.00 must be made before Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June. If anyone is unable to pay the full amount, please speak to your child's Head of House.

The school reserves the right to remove any pupil from the activity at any time if the attitude and behaviour of that pupil does not come up to the high expectations of this school. We monitor student behaviour and achievement very closely using a points system and this will be used to decide if a pupil can attend a trip, visit or work placement.

**If your child is successful in gaining a place, but then has to withdraw, any money paid can only be returned if this is due to exceptional circumstances or their place is filled by another student.**

Should you require any further information please contact Mrs McKenna

Yours sincerely

Mrs McKenna  
(School Chaplain)

