



12th March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are excited to announce that Year 5 will be visiting **York Elim Church** on the morning of **Monday 16th March**. This local visit offers a fantastic opportunity for the children to engage with community leaders, artists, and professionals to learn about history, architecture, and the arts.

There is no cost to attend this trip, and since it is in the local area, we do not need specific consent, as this is part of the local area consent obtained during the admissions process. We do not need any parent helpers for this trip, as we have enough staff from school attending.

The children will arrive at the church between 9:20 am and 9:30 am. They will rotate through four engaging 20-minute workshops and will be back to school by lunchtime:

- Working with Adam Hickley in the balcony area to learn about window repairs and creating stone rubbings.
- A session with local artist Leo Morley, featuring a painting demonstration, Q&A, and a hands-on workshop.
- A chance to meet Pastor Paul, Adam Raffell (York Foodbank), and musician Neil Morgan. They will learn how the building supports the community and hear about plans for a new recording studio. There will also be a mini-quiz with prizes!
- A presentation from the project's architects about their work on the building and the different career paths available in the construction industry.

While our visit takes place within a church and the children will be met by the resident pastor, please note that the focus of the morning is not religious. The sessions are designed around local history, stained glass preservation, community services (such as the Foodbank), and construction careers.

However, we respect that some families may prefer their child not to enter a place of worship. If you would like to opt out of this trip for your child, please contact the school office by **Friday, 13th March**, and alternative arrangements will be made for them at school.

This trip promises to be an inspiring morning, exploring local history and future career possibilities.

Best regards,
The Year 5 Team

