



Gateford Park Primary School

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Dear Parents and Carers of children in Year 3

Mr Mangham and Mrs Smyth have a lovely school visit planned for the summer term. As part of their topic on 'The Stone Age', Phoenix class will visit Creswell Craggs on **Thursday 4th June 2026.**

Creswell Craggs is one of the most important prehistoric sites in Britain. Caves within this gorge tell the story of the people who visited during the last Ice Age.

The children will visit the largest cave of Creswell Craggs and see where people sheltered. They will handle replica Stone Age tools and travel into the darkest chamber to hear about the Ice Age animals who lived there. Children will then learn how to make a shelter using natural materials; throwing spears and seeing how fire was made. Finally, they will become a palaeontologist and learn about the animals that roamed through Creswell Craggs, discovering if they were food or foe. What a fantastic educational day out!

The children will be leaving school at approximately 9am, returning at the usual home time. Your child will need to wear school uniform on top and casual bottoms with sensible shoes. A packed lunch and non-fizzy drinks will be required, placed in a rucksack, which your child will need to carry with them during the day.

We would be very grateful if you could please send a voluntary contribution of £28.50 to cover the cost of the bus, entry fee and workshop. Please send cash or make cheques payable to Gateford Park Primary School and return to school by **Friday 1st May 2026.** Please **DO NOT** make payment on School Money or by bank transfer. No child will be excluded from the visit because they cannot afford to go but we may have to cancel if we do not receive sufficient funding. If you would like to pay in weekly instalments, this is perfectly fine.

If we are in receipt of pupil premium funding for your child and you wish to use your allowance, you do not need to send in any money, however, please return the slip.

With my very best wishes

Headteacher

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Year 3 visit to 'Creswell Craggs' – 04.06.2026.

Child's Name: _____

I give permission for my child to visit 'Creswell Craggs' on Thursday 4th June 2026 and I enclose a voluntary contribution of £28.50. ☐

Signed: _____

Date: _____