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Dear Parents/Carers and families of Year 6,

It is with a heavy heart, but probably not unexpected, that I am writing to tell you that our annual residential visit to Ambleside has been cancelled in response to the current measures in place to limit the spread of Covid 19. This decision has not been taken lightly and we understand that it will be very upsetting for pupils – as it is for everyone at FJS. We would like to reassure you as parents that due to the current travel restrictions, insurance will cover a full refund.

Following Government advice to limit unnecessary travel, combined with the uncertainty of whether or not we would have enough staff well enough to travel, Governors and senior leaders made the decision to act now. We felt that it was important to let you know about this decision as early as possible.

There are going to be lots of hard decisions in the coming months as the current situation affects us all and we are particularly mindful of those families that have underlying conditions or elderly grandparents to consider. Clearly there is a bigger picture and each family will have its own concerns and decisions to make.

Whilst it is still very early, we will endeavour to plan alternative experiences for the children, within the limitations imposed on us, to ensure we mark the children's transition to high school in a positive way.

As always, thank you for your continued support and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

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