



31 March 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Romantic Literature Workshop – Wednesday 14 May 2025

We are delighted to offer up to 60 of our Year 9 students the opportunity to visit Dove Cottage in Cumbria, to partake in a hybrid workshop where they will learn about both Romantic and Gothic literature. They will also visit the museum, be taken on a guided walk into the Lake District and have their lunch in the grounds of Wordsworth's home. This trip will help to develop a greater understanding of the 'sublime' and landscape that inspired the Romantic poets, which they will go on to study at GCSE in year 10.

Please click [here](#) to view further information about Dove Cottage.

Timings

Students meet in the HGS car park 7.45am, before we depart via coach at 8am. We will return to school at approx. 5.30 pm. Alternative arrangements will be required if your child usually travels home by school bus.

Lunch

All students will need to bring a packed lunch, with drinks and snacks as required.

If your child receives free school meals and would like school to provide this, please email kitchen@hgs.rklt.co.uk by Monday 24 April 2025 to order.

Expression of Interest

If your child would like to take part in this trip, please complete an expression of interest form by clicking [here](#) by **9am on Wednesday 2 April 2025**. In the event the trip is oversubscribed, places will be allocated on a random basis. Parents/Carers will be notified if their child has secured a place by Friday 4 April 2025. If unsuccessful at this stage, your child will be added to a reserve list.

Payment Schedule

I am sure you will understand that we do not have the funds available to us from which to pay for the entire trip. Therefore, we politely ask you to make a voluntary contribution of **£35.00 towards the cost of the trip no later than Wednesday 30 April 2025**. Unfortunately, if insufficient voluntary contributions are received, then regrettably, the trip will not go ahead.

We do understand that the cost may be prohibitive for some families, and we would not wish to preclude any students from taking part on this basis. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact hgsfinance@hgs.rklt.co.uk

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If you can support in making additional trip contributions for families in financial hardship, there is a voluntary trip donation available in Arbor under school shop.

Once you have been notified that your child has secured a place on this trip, please pay via Arbor.

Next Steps

- Complete the expression of interest form by clicking [here](#) by **9am on Wednesday 2 April 2025**
- Once notified that your child has secured a place, please give your consent via the Arbor Parent Portal app by **Wednesday 30 April 2025**
- Please ensure your contact details and child's medical information is up to date, emailing any changes to HGSgateway@hgs.rklt.co.uk
- Please [click here](#) to access the general trip information sheet, which includes details of our cancellation policy, administering of medication and behaviour expectations

We are very much looking forward to this exciting and interesting trip.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ms M Watson', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Ms M Watson

Trip Leader