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Dear Parent / Carer,

The Diocese of Chester is pleased to announce: 'The Journey', our new Weekend Youth Residential.

What is *The Journey*?

A weekend residential, specifically designed for young people in school years 7-11, organised and delivered by a dedicated team of experienced DBS checked youth leaders from across the Diocese of Chester. It's a time for young people to gather with others who share similar beliefs and outlook on life, and to engage with Christianity in a way which may be new to them. It's the perfect place for your child to build stronger relationships with their friends, youth group, leaders, make new friends as well as spend an extended time developing their relationship with God.

Our programme is part of 'Thy Kingdom Come' and includes; workshops (art, video, dance, drama, song writing, and hard questions), wide games, Bible teaching, prayer, contemporary worship, and discussions, all in a safe space to build relationship and discipleship with God.

What is this year's theme?

Light: Hear about Jesus' Light and learn to share His light with those around you.

The Pilgrimage and Beacon Event

We'll be taking part in the Thy Kingdom Come Pilgrimage from Foxhill to Chester Cathedral for 3 miles, and then participating in the Thy Kingdom Come Beacon Event in Chester Cathedral. We'll catch a coach to the pilgrimage site and back to Foxhill after the Beacon Event for you to collect your child at 8:00pm.

All leaders involved with *The Journey* are DBS checked and your child's DBS checked youth leaders will also be in attendance.

What you need to know

- Main Venue:** Foxhill House and Woodlands, Tarvin Road, Frodsham, WA6 6XB
Tel.01928 733777
- Date & Time:** Friday 18th May 5:00pm – Sunday 20th May 8:30pm
- Cost:** £50 per person, (inc.a £20 non-refundable deposit) (bursary available from Foxhill)
We operate a sliding fee of £10 less per child if they are in the same family.
- Meals:** Provided by Foxhill
- Accommodation:** Camping at Foxhill - Please bring camping equipment
- Pilgrimage:** Sunday 20th 3:00pm-5:00pm
- Beacon Event:** Sunday 20th 6:30pm-8:00pm, Chester Cathedral, St Werburgh St, Chester, CH1 2DY
You are welcome to book to join in both the pilgrimage and the Beacon event by going to the Diocese of Chester Website and clicking on 'Thy Kingdom Come'.
Your child will be sitting with *The Journey* group during the Beacon event.

How do I book?

Although this event is run by the Diocese of Chester, your child will be in the care of their youth leaders, therefore we ask that you book through them by:

- Forms:** **Filling in and returning the individual consent form** for The Journey to your church youth leader no later than **8th April 2018**. To allow them to make a copy for their records and to post the original with the group booking to us.
- Payment:** Via, cash, or by cheque (payable to Chester Diocesan Board of Finance). Please mark the outside of your envelope "*The Journey*".
If you wish to pay by card this can be done by contacting Foxhill directly.
Tel.01928 733777.
- Booking:** Your child's youth leader will then make a group booking with us.

