

SOUTHEND HIGH SCHOOL FOR BOYS

ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/carers,

Congratulations on your son being selected to represent the school at the English Schools' National Cross Country Cup Final at Leeds Grammar School on Saturday 7th December. We will be leaving school at 10.30am on Friday 6th December. Your son will travel in a school tracksuit on the journey to Yorkshire.

We will be staying at the Mercure Bradford Bankfield Hotel in Bradford, telephone number 01274 211012, on Friday night and having an evening meal and breakfast Saturday morning. We will stop on route on Friday and refreshments will be on sale at the venue, but it would be advisable to provide your son with food for Friday and Saturday lunchtime.

The cost to your son will be £30 to help cover the cost of the food and the transport. This is payable via WisePay, you will find it under the "Trips and Visits" section. We request that this amount is paid by the deadline of **Tuesday 3rd December**.

In view of your son's effort and success in reaching the final of such a prestigious competition, the school is paying for the accommodation.

If you wish to support your son over the weekend and stay at the hotel, please phone the hotel direct and say that you are parents of the Southend High School for Boys team.

Please note that there is ample spectator parking on site, at a charge of £5 per vehicle (cash only). The Cup final starts at 12.15pm with the Inter Girls race. Full information can be found on the ESAA website (follow links to Cross Country Cup Final).

Your child will need: Clothes for the evening, School vest, white shorts, white ankle socks, spikes, spending money, isotonic drinks, clothes to travel home in and a warm coat that will be provided by the school.

We should return home at approximately 11.30pm on Saturday 7th December or you can take your son home from Leeds. Your son will ring to confirm when we stop on the motorway.

Should you have any difficulties in accessing your WisePay account, or any concerns about making the payment due, please contact the Finance office at your earliest convenience.

Finally, thank you for all your support over the last few months of training. Encouraging your son to train in the morning and transporting them to school is very important to their success. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Mr R Casey

Leader of Competitive Sport

