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Dear Parent

Proposed Y8 Spanish and Geography trip to Catalonia, Northern Spain, 17 – 20 June 2019

Following three years' of successful trips to Spain, we are planning another Spanish trip to Catalonia, in Northern Spain, for current Year 7 Spanish students. Located on the very eastern edge of the Iberian Peninsula, Catalonia has a fascinating historical heritage and dynamic culture, most famous for its capital, Barcelona, and the surrounding dramatic coastline and holiday resorts. This trip is extremely popular and has been oversubscribed in previous years. To ensure students' safety, places will be limited to 40 students. In order to make the process as fair as possible, the names of all students who have paid their deposit (see below) by the end of morning break on **Monday 2 July 2018** will be entered into a draw and the first 40 drawn will secure a place. Any remaining names will be placed on a waiting list.

This trip will provide a fantastic opportunity for the students to immerse themselves in Spanish culture and to practice some of the language they have studied (with a bi-lingual guide and teachers on hand). Provisional opportunities would include;

- a visit to La Sagrada Familia in Barcelona
- a visit to FC Barcelona Museum & Nou Camp Tour
- 1 full day in Barcelona
- entrance to Parc Guell
- Geograhly study day at Garrotxa National Park
- 1 full day at Aquaworld water park
- Full-board accommodation in an NST approved hotel
- Flights and all transportation

The trip will last four days, with students leaving the academy on Monday 17 June 2019 and returning to the academy late on Thursday 20 June 2019. This visit is fully covered by the academy's insurance policy (ZURICH Insurance) and is arranged through NST Travel, an ABTA registered travel company specialising in school trips abroad.

In Catalonia, the students' accommodation will be in a carefully chosen 3* hotel on a full-board basis. We will travel by plane and it is essential that all students have their own valid and in-date passports as well as EHC cards (European Health Insurance Cover – free and available online).

The cost of the trip will be approximately £499 per person, depending on the number of students. This price includes return travel from the academy to our destination, use of the coach throughout our stay, full board accommodation and all excursions, travel and medical insurance. We will arrange for payments to be paid in instalments, although to secure a place on the trip we need a non-refundable deposit of £125 (to be deducted from the total cost) by the end of break on **Monday 2 July 2019**. Deposits will of course be refunded for those students who do not get on the trip.



We understand the financial demands placed on parents by school trips. There is a local charity, the Northgate Foundation, who can give means-tested financial assistance with school trips and visits; I cannot however, guarantee your application will be successful. Please consult their website www.northgatefoundation.org or speak to me at school for further details and advice. I am happy to offer assistance with the application process if you think you may be eligible.

If your child would like to take part in this trip then please make payment of the £125 deposit on Parentpay by **11:10am on Monday 2 July 2019**. If you do not have a ParentPay account, please contact Mrs Green on 01473-466157 to make payment in cash.

May I also respectfully inform you that in the event that your child's attitude, behaviour or conduct in school falls below the standard we expect, we reserve the right to offer their place to another student or remove them from the trip. If there is no waiting list, monies paid to date will be lost.

Once your child's place on the trip is confirmed, we will be in a position to confirm the exact price of the trip. We will then issue a payment schedule to spread the cost over the year. We will hold a parents' meeting before we go to Catalonia to finalise all the details. In the meantime, if you have any questions, queries, concerns or feedback regarding the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely



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