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Headteacher: Mr M Wignall

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Dear Parent/Carer

**Year 9 Curriculum Enrichment Activity (CEA) Italy – Verona, Florence and Pisa  
13-17 July 2020**

We are excited to be proposing a school trip to Italy for **Year 9** students. This will include a tour of Verona, the setting of Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet, which will serve to enrich their understanding of the play and its context in preparation for their GCSE Literature exam. This trip ran last year and was very successful with students thoroughly enjoying the experience.

Here are the key details about the planned trip:

- 5 days and 4 nights
- Departure - 13 July 2020
- Return - 17 July 2020
- The provisional cost is £650 per student

Please note that the proposed dates include the school’s Curricular Enrichment days (15 and 16 July) and the last day of term (17 July).

This price includes:

- Coach travel to and from school
- Return flights and accommodation:
  - 3\* Basilea Hotel (Florence) Half Board 2 nights
  - 3\* Gardesano Hotel (Verona) Half Board 2 nights
- Insurance
- Local taxes

Please note that students will require spending money for the duration of the trip to cover the costs of lunch, drinks (outside of catered meals), food on flights (if necessary) and souvenirs. **Furthermore, if we require visas after leaving Europe, parents will be responsible for obtaining these for their child.**

The proposed itinerary for the trip will include a tour of Pisa’s Piazza dei Miracoli (including the famous Leaning Tower); the Ponte Vecchio, the Duomo di Firenze and other sights in Florence; Juliet’s house and balcony, the Piazza Bra and the Roman amphitheatre in Verona; and a day out at amusement park, Gardaland.

If you would like to secure a place for your child on this trip, please return the slip below to express an interest by Thursday 3 October 2019. We will then contact you regarding a non-refundable deposit of £100 that will need to be made by Thursday 24 October 2019. There is a minimum number of students required for this trip; if we do not have enough students, we will contact you to let you know that we unfortunately will not be able to go ahead.

The trip is being booked through Travelbound, who have more than 30 years’ experience in educational travel. They work closely with us during the whole tour planning process to ensure that your child will get the very best learning experience whilst away.

Yours faithfully,

E. Groves  
Trip Leader

Please return to the Trips Box Attn: Ms Groves by 3 October 2019

**Year 9 ITALY TRIP 13 - 17July 2020 PERMISSION SLIP**

Student’s name.....Tutor Group.....

- I wish to reserve a place for my child on this trip.
- On confirmation of a place for my child, I confirm I will pay £100 non-refundable deposit by Thursday 24 October 2019.
- I confirm that, if required, I will obtain a visa for my child and that my child will have a valid passport for travel.

*I agree that my child may participate in the above activity. The school has taken out a School Journey Insurance Policy underwritten by AIG for each pupil attending this activity, though claims arising from a pre-existing condition are exempt. The policy includes fixed levels of benefits in respect of Personal Accident and Personal Property. A copy of the policy schedule is available upon request. Any claim made under this policy does not affect your statutory rights. In respect of legal liability please note the school cannot be held responsible for any loss unless negligent.*

Parent Name..... Signature.....

