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Dear Parent/Carer

Year 11 visit to Berlin
Monday 20th – Wednesday 22nd February 2022

The History Department is organising a study visit abroad to Berlin, Germany, for students in Year 11. They will have the opportunity to experience the places and culture of this country which will particularly support GCSE History and SMSC. Students visit locations where key historical events, that they study in GCSE History, have taken place. Also, a large part of the experience deals with the Holocaust and issues pertaining to SMSC.

Whilst in Germany, there will be excursions to various locations, such as the German parliament, the Jewish Museum, the Brandenburg Gate, a concentration camp, and Checkpoint Charlie. Other evening activities based at the centre will be confirmed at a later date.

Accommodation is at the Industriepalast Hostel and Hotel. There is a restaurant for breakfast and dinner, with packed lunches provided.

All group members will be expected to participate in the learning experiences as much as possible, which will enhance their classroom learning.

The visit is organised through Anglia Tours, whom we have used for other residential trips and is ABTA registered. Their website has a FAQs section www.angliatours.co.uk with tour information, insurance details and all other information.

In order to run the visit, we have to raise the cost of **£540** per student, subject to a minimum number of students participating, which includes transfers, flights, accommodation, full board, insurance, excursions and use of the coach during the visit.

Each student will need their **own full passport which has been issued within the last 5 years and has at least 3 months left, after the return date, before it expires**. So please check the expiry date.

They will also need a valid European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) or UK Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). You can apply for this card through the NHS website. It is free of charge.

The maximum number of places available is **40**. If it is oversubscribed then priority is given to year 11 History students, those recommended by Heads of House, those with a good behaviour record and those with a valid passport. We will then draw names out of a 'hat' for the remaining places.

If your child would like to take part in the visit then we need payment of the **non-refundable** deposit of **£150** by **9am on Monday 11th July**. If your child is eligible for Pupil Premium you may be given financial assistance for the trip. Please contact Liz Tinsley via info@tpstrust.co.uk to enquire about financial support.

You can make payment via Parent Pay where consent is given as part of the process. You will also need to provide your child's passport details at this stage because they are needed when we confirm the number of places and the travel company book flights.

If you need to pay by cash or cheque please request a barcode from sma@tpstrust.co.uk. This can be taken to any PayPoint outlet. Payment can take up to 48 hours to show on Parent Pay. Please provide passport details to sma@tpstrust.co.uk so these can be entered onto Parent Pay for you.

If your child's name is selected for the trip you will be sent a schedule of payment dates and other documents as necessary. If not in the initial 40, your child will be placed on a reserve list in the order the names were drawn and your deposit will be refunded.

In light of Covid and any possible travel restrictions, the school will adhere to any Government advice at the time. Should the trip not go ahead then please note Anglia's cancellation policy:

Notice Period	Cancellation Charge
70 days or more before departure	Loss of all scheduled deposits plus and supplier costs already incurred (e.g flights).
69-30 days before departure	70% of booking cost
29-0 days before departure	100 of booking cost

Due to the great importance of trust and co-operation involved in such a visit, it must be recognised that excellent behaviour and co-operation will be expected at all times, so that all students enjoy a safe and rewarding visit, and do not jeopardise their opportunity to partake in future school visits. Students may be withdrawn from a trip in extreme circumstances where a risk assessment indicates that they may put themselves or others at risk. Any decision to withdraw a student from a trip due to poor behaviour will be made at the discretion of the School Leadership Team following consultation with members of staff and taking into account a student's behaviour record as well as the completed risk assessment.

Yours sincerely



Mr W Jones
Berlin Trip Organiser