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Dear Parent /Carer

## Edgbarrow Language Trip -Andalucía, Spain

We are planning on taking a group of Year 10 students to Andalucía, Spain on a four-day trip from 7<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

This will be an interesting and exciting trip that will allow students to use their Spanish in a wide variety of situations and cultural settings. We believe this will be an especially valuable opportunity for your child, given the impact the last few years have had on their learning and their freedom to travel.

In order to organise this trip, we would like to know the level of interest of Year 10. The total cost of the trip will be <u>in the region of</u> £700, which is higher than the original estimate of £500 in our letter of March 2023. This will include accommodation, meals, travel and all activities.

If you would like your son/daughter to go on the trip and wish to secure a place, please return the reply slip **showing an expression of interest by 10<sup>th</sup> November.** This will allow us to see if a trip is viable. If trip is oversubscribed a ballot will be held. We will then send a letter out asking for a deposit by the end of November with subsequent payments to be made in the New Year.

We are keen to support all pupil participation in school visits and do not wish for any child to be disadvantaged due to financial hardship. Should you have any concerns or queries regarding the voluntary payment for this trip, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Pyke, Business Manager, who will be happy to help you. All information will be treated in the strictest confidence. As you will understand, without the appropriate financial contributions the visit may not take place.

There are currently no restrictions on travelling to Spain and no requirements for vaccinations for children and young people. However, this may change before the departure of our trip. Students must hold a current passport issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country and valid for at least <u>6 months</u> after the date you plan to leave.

Please note that for non-British nationals you will need to check visa requirements for entering Spain and re-entering the UK and organise the required visas if necessary.

Please also ensure that your son/daughter has an **EHIC** (European Health Insurance Card) or a **GHIC** (Global Health Insurance Card). These cards can be requested free of charge at: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/">https://www.nhs.uk/using-the-nhs/healthcare-abroad/apply-for-a-free-uk-global-health-insurance-card-ghic/</a>











Please note that once payment has been made and confirmation has been received, we will be unable to refund any moneys paid unless the trip is cancelled by the tour operator.

If you have any questions about the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

Andrea Petri
<b>Languages Department</b>

REPLY SLIP: Year 10 Trip to Spain 7 <sup>th</sup> - 10 <sup>th</sup> March 2024
Name of student
I would like my son/daughter to take part in the trip to Spain in March 2024.
Signed Date