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Dear Parents and Carers,

Expression of Interest: Proposed Educational Visit to Spain

We are pleased to be exploring the possibility of running an educational visit to Spain during this academic year for all Year 9 students and Year 10 students currently studying GCSE Spanish.

Educational visits such as these provide a unique opportunity for students to develop independence, confidence and resilience whilst experiencing a different culture first-hand. For those studying Spanish, the trip offers the added benefit of hearing and using the language in authentic settings, helping to bring classroom learning to life and strengthening their understanding of both the language and the culture.

At this stage, we are seeking expressions of interest to help us determine whether there is sufficient demand to proceed with planning the visit. Once we have a clearer understanding of likely numbers, we will be able to confirm further details, including travel dates, accommodation, a full itinerary and final costs.

As a guide, a similar trip in previous years cost approximately £850 per student for a four-day, three-night stay. Whilst costs for this year's visit have not yet been finalised, we anticipate that they are likely to be in a similar region.

Previous visits have included a range of exciting educational and cultural experiences, including:

- Visiting the world-famous Sagrada Família
- Exploring Park Güell
- Discovering the historic Gothic Quarter
- Visiting the vibrant La Boqueria Market
- Touring FC Barcelona's Nou Camp Stadium and Museum
- Experiencing Spanish food, customs and traditions
- Opportunities to practise Spanish in real-life situations

Whilst the exact itinerary for this year's trip has yet to be confirmed, we expect it to follow a similar format, providing students with a rich programme of cultural, historical and educational experiences.

In addition to supporting language learning, educational visits abroad help students to develop cultural awareness, broaden their perspectives and gain a

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greater appreciation of life beyond their local community. These experiences often leave a lasting impression and can inspire students in both their academic studies and future aspirations.

We believe this would be a fantastic opportunity for students to develop new skills, deepen their understanding of Spanish culture and create lasting memories with their peers.

Registering Your Interest

If you would like your child to be considered for this exciting opportunity, please complete our online Expression of Interest Form by Monday 9 November using the following link: Trip to Spain - Registration of interest – Fill out form

Alternatively, scan the QR code:

Please note that completing the form does not commit you to booking a place on the trip. It simply allows us to gauge interest levels and determine whether the visit is viable.

Once we have reviewed responses, we will provide interested families with full details regarding dates, itinerary, payment schedules and booking arrangements.

Thank you for your support. We look forward to hearing from you and hope to be able to offer this exciting opportunity to our students.

Yours faithfully,

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Head of Spanish