

16<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parent/Carer

**RE: Newcastle University 'Beat the Rat Race' Spanish trip**

We would like to offer your son/daughter the opportunity to participate in an educational visit to Newcastle University on Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December. In collaboration with Europe Direct, Routes into Languages North East and The Language Resource Centre at Newcastle University present... Beat the Rat Race: Using Languages To Get Ahead.

Speakers from a wide range of professional sectors will demonstrate how language skills have benefited them in their careers in a fun and interactive way. There will also be the opportunity to learn a completely new language during taster sessions run by the university's Student Language Ambassadors. With an exciting panel of real life linguists, language taster sessions and more, this event is designed to inspire pupils to take languages forward at GCSE and show them just where it could take them in future.

The panellists all use languages in their jobs in some way and represent a wide variety of different fields and organisations in the region and beyond. This is a unique chance to highlight the opportunities available to those with a language qualification.

The event is free of charge. We will be leaving school at 8.45am and travelling by school minibus. Students must bring a packed lunch as they will be at the university during the school lunch break. Students who receive free school meals will be provided with a packed lunch. We will be arriving back at school between 14.45 and 15.00.

Students will be required to wear full school uniform for the visit. Please be advised that all personal belongings including money, cameras and any electrical items are not covered by the school's insurance and are the responsibility of the individual students. We strongly recommend valuable items are left at home. We also reserve the right to withdraw your son/daughter from the visit due to poor behaviour.

We very much hope that your son/daughter will participate in this exciting and academically valuable opportunity. Please sign and return the consent form below to reception at the earliest opportunity and no later than Friday 24th November. Please feel free to contact Mr Ridley if you have any questions regarding the visit.

Yours faithfully

*G Ridley*

Mr G Ridley  
**Lead Teacher in Spanish**

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**Spanish Trip - Newcastle University Visit 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017**

I give permission for ..... (Student Name) of form..... to participate in the visit to Newcastle University on Wednesday 13th December 2017. I understand they will be transported to and from the venue by school minibus. My child will bring a packed lunch with them (unless entitled to FSM)

**Emergency Contact Details:**

Name	Relationship	Contact Number
1.....		
2.....		

Signature of Parent/Carer..... Date.....