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Dear Parent/Carer

SPANISH EDUCATIONAL VISIT JULY 2018 FOR YEAR 8

I am delighted to inform you that in order to offer St Mary's students the opportunity to practise their Spanish skills in a real context and experience Spanish culture at first hand, we again intend to organise an Educational Visit to Spain in July 2018. The trip has been running successfully for many years and has proven to be a wonderful experience for the students.

We will be staying at the Vilanova campsite in chalets which is located in Vilanova, around half an hour from Barcelona. There will be a variety of activities to allow your son/daughter to practise his/her language skills such as scavenger hunts and interviews with local residents. We will also have two day trips to Barcelona visiting a wide variety of locations around the city and there will also be a visit to a water park on one of the days.

We will leave school on the afternoon of **Sunday 8th July** and return late in the evening on **Thursday 12th July**. The price will be around **£650** which includes: return flights to Barcelona with a carry-on suitcase, coach travel whilst abroad, all entrance fees (including water park), accommodation on a full board basis, insurance and participation in the collective passport. The final cost will be confirmed when final numbers have been confirmed.

If you would like your child to go on this visit, please provide a £120 deposit by **5 October 2017**. The deposit should ideally be a cheque made payable to St Mary's Catholic School or cash. This deposit will be non-refundable once a place has been allocated on the visit. There will be five further monthly payments in November, December, January, February, March, of £95 each and one in May of £55. If the visit is oversubscribed and your child is not allocated a place, the deposit will be refunded to you promptly in full. If we are oversubscribed, places will be allocated by names being selected randomly in small friendship groups, assuming a good behaviour record in school.

You should have received a letter from Mr McKeating, prior to the summer holidays, about residential visits for this academic year. If you would like your child to attend, but have a difficulty supplying the deposit at this time, or meeting the payment schedule, or meeting the full cost of the visit, please write to Mr McKeating, Assistant Headteacher, before the deposit deadline, explaining the issue and any proposal that you have.

I am sure your son/daughter would find this a really valuable and enjoyable experience.

Yours faithfully

Miss L Mullan
Head of Modern Languages

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I would like my son/daughter to take part in the Spanish Educational Visit July 2018 and I include a deposit of £120. I understand that this does not guarantee a place and that the deposit will be returned if a place is not allocated for any reason.

Name of student..... Spanish teacher..... Tutor group

Parent/Carer signature.....

Name of main friend also applying for the trip Tutor group of friend

