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Dear Parents

Years 10 & 11 'The Spires' Oxbridge Trip: Wednesday 6 July-Thursday 7 July 2022

I am organising a trip for pupils in Years 10 and 11 who attend 'The Spires' club to visit the universities of Oxford and Cambridge over Wednesday 6 July and Thursday 7 July 2022.

The aim is to give the pupils a flavour of each of the cities, perhaps demystify the universities a little, and allow them to consider whether or not an Oxbridge application in the future might be right for them. Please find detailed below the proposed itinerary for our two-day visit:

Wednesday, 6 July 2022

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| 08.45 | Depart from Red House for Oxford via the school minibus |
| 13.00 | Arrive in Oxford and check straight in to accommodation – Travelodge, Abingdon Road, Oxford, OX1 4XG |
| 13.30 | Arrive in Oxford and have lunch |
| 14.30 | Explore the city of Oxford and visit some of the university's colleges |
| 18.00 | Evening pizza meal |
| 19.30 | Cinema trip |
| 22.00 | Return to the Travelodge |

Thursday, 7 July 2022

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| 08.30 | Breakfast in the Travelodge and check out |
| 09.30 | Depart from the Travelodge to Cambridge via the school minibus |
| 12.00 | Arrive in Cambridge, look around the city and have lunch |
| 13.00 | Explore the University of Cambridge Open Day, attend talks and visit Colleges |
| 16.00 | Punting on the River Cam and have a picnic on the punt |
| 17.30 | Depart Cambridge by school minibus to Norton |
| 21.45 | Arrive back at Red House |

Depending on final numbers, the cost of the trip will be approximately £150, with the final cost to be confirmed by Easter. The price includes:

- All travel
- One nights' accommodation and breakfast in the Travelodge, Abingdon Road, Oxford
- All meals (lunch on Wednesday and Thursday, evening meal on Wednesday and the picnic meal on Thursday)
- The cinema visit
- Punting on the River Cam

If you would like your son/daughter to go on this trip please complete the slip below and return it to school, paying the non-refundable deposit of £75 into the school account as detailed below. This initial deposit is required by Monday 1 November with the final balance of £75 will become due in March 2022. The viability of the trip will be reassessed should pupil numbers not reach 8. Please note that monies paid may not be refunded if at a later date if your son/daughter is unable to attend.

Bank account details for deposits and the final balance are as follows:

Sort code – 30 98 13
Account number – 01776186
Bank - Lloyds Bank

Once pupils have paid their deposits, they will be required to complete 'Code of Conduct', and 'Medical Information' documentation. The teachers accompanying pupils will be myself and Mr Kitching. Any pupils who need to use an inhaler or epipen will need to carry their device with them at all times, although a spare may also be deposited with staff.

If you have any questions you would like to ask about this trip or the next one, please do not hesitate to contact me. I am available in school from 8am each morning or alternatively after 4pm each evening.

Yours sincerely



Dr Rebecca Ashcroft
Head

Dr R Ashcroft

I wish my daughter/son _____ to participate in the Year 10 and 11 'The Spires' Oxbridge Trip and I have transferred the £75 deposit to the school account.

Signed _____ (parent/guardian)*

* To comply with the Children Act, children of divorced or separated parents must have the written consent of all those with parental responsibility.