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Dear Parents

December 2016

## RE: Year 10 trip to Sorrento, Italy 2017

The Geography Department at St John Fisher School aims to provide many fieldwork and enrichment opportunities for our students. Therefore we are planning a trip to Sorrento, Italy for our Year 10 GCSE Geography students. This trip is an enrichment trip and it will be an excellent opportunity for students to experience one of the most stunning areas of Europe, witness parts of the dramatic coastline and enjoy the magnificent views across the Bay of Naples. Sorrento is shadowed by the towering volcano, Mount Vesuvius, and it will be a fantastic opportunity for us to bring the AQA GCSE Geography course to life by seeing first hand the effects of tectonic activity by visiting the Roman cities of Pompeii, which were destroyed by the volcano in 79AD but have been preserved for posterity. The trip has been planned so that we fly to Naples and stay in Piano Di Sorrento. The trip will develop an understanding of other cultures and will focus on the effects of tourism which is a key element of the AQA Geography syllabus.

The trip is planned to take place in the summer term from Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2017 and will return on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2017. We are using the company Rayburn Tours to organise our visit who have over 100 years of experience organising school trips. The trip will be accompanied by 3 members of staff from school who have a vast experience of school trips and international trips.

The cost of the trip will be £750 and includes the following:

- ATOL protected return flights with Monarch airline from Leeds Bradford airport to Naples.
- 1 piece of hold baggage per person, subject to airline weight and dimension restrictions
- 1 piece of hand baggage per person, subject to airline weight and dimension restrictions
- All government, airline and third party taxes and charges
- 4 nights Half Board hotel accommodation in Sorrento at the La Ripetta Hotel, Piano di Sorrento
- Return transfers from hotel accommodation to Naples airport
- Private coach and driver for journeys to tours including the Amalfi Drive, Vesuvius, Pompeii and Solfatara
- Fonda Galatea farm and pizza making experience.
- Guided tour to Pompeii and Vesuvius
- Travel Insurance as provided by North Yorkshire County Council's school trips policy

Students will need to bring with them some spending money to pay for lunches, soft drinks with meals, food and snacks required during travel and souvenir spending money. A recommended amount will be discussed at the parents information evening at a later date.

As with all school trips, health and safety is a priority and we expect the highest of standards of behaviour throughout the duration of the trip. There will be an opportunity for parents to attend a parents information evening at a later date where more information will be available regarding the trip and the planned itinerary once numbers for the group are finalised.

If you would like your son or daughter to participate in this trip then we will need a non-refundable deposit of £250 to secure and confirm places with the airline before Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017. A further £250 will





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need to be paid by 1st March 2017 and the remaining £250 balance will need to be paid by the 25<sup>th</sup> of April 2017.

Please complete the form below and return to school along with the £250 deposit which can be paid on parent pay. Please ask your son or daughter to hand the form in to Mr Chatten in the Geography department by Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2017. Places are limited on this trip so if the trip is oversubscribed then a random selection will be taken and those who are unsuccessful will have their deposits refunded.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours faithfully

Mr Robert Chatten  
**Teacher of Geography**

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My email address is .....

I confirm that there has not been any changes to my child's medical or contact information and the school records are up to date as of September 2016. Yes ..... No .....

Any changes or additional information please specify below:

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Signed ..... (Parent / Guardian) Please delete

Print Name .....

Many Thanks.





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