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16 May 2022

Dear Parent

Geography tour of Sicily – October 2023

We are very pleased to be offering a Geography tour of Sicily to our current Year 9 students for when they are in Year 11.

Sicily is an excellent location for a geography fieldtrip. The island provides a great range of geographical opportunities for both GCSE and A level students. For physical geographers there are river and coastal studies, plus the active volcanoes of Etna and Stromboli. Local farming, fishing and tourist industries provide the human geography element (as well as plenty of gastronomic and leisure time benefits).

Details of the cost of the trip, what is included, the payment schedule and other important information is set out in the attached *Key Information* document. Please read this carefully. Comprehensive travel insurance is provided by the government's Risk Protection Arrangement.

The £860 cost of the tour is based on 40 students taking part. If fewer than 40 students sign up it may still be possible to run the trip but it might incur a supplement. Further details will be provided at the time should this apply.

If the trip is oversubscribed, we will first try to accommodate the additional demand. If this is not possible, student names will be randomly selected and a reserve list created. During the week beginning 13 June, an email will be sent to parents advising whether the trip will run and if their child has secured a place. If your child has unfortunately missed out this time, or if the trip is not running, the deposit will be refunded in full.

The travel agent organising the tour on our behalf is NST Travel Group which is fully ABTA and ATOL protected and has been successfully running overseas visits for schools since the 1960s (<https://www.nstgroup.co.uk/for-parents-guardians>).

If you have any questions about the trip, please email feedback@mket.org.uk with Sicily 2023 in the subject line.

All students are expected to maintain an excellent attendance, punctuality and behaviour record to remain eligible for the tour of Sicily trip and this will be taken into account when confirming the final student list before departure in October 2023.

To secure a place for you child(ren) on the trip, please:

1. Complete the booking form and return either via the Red Box in Student Services or by sending electronically to feedback@mket.org.uk as soon as possible.
2. Pay the **NON-REFUNDABLE deposit of £200** online via Wisepay **by 10:00 on Monday, 6 June.**

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CCobb', written over a horizontal line.

Mr Chris Cobb
Head of Geography

WALTON HIGH - VISITS AND JOURNEYS
PARENTAL CONSENT FORM – RESIDENTIAL TRIPS

Geography tour of Sicily, October 2023

Please return via the red box in Student Services or feedback@mket.org.uk together with the £200 Wisepay deposit by 10:00 on Monday, 6 June 2022.

Student's full name		Tutor Group	
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Visit to: Sicily 2023

Deposit to be paid via Wisepay: £200

DECLARATION

I agree to my son/daughter taking part in the Sicily tour and, having read the information provided, agree to his/her participation in the activities described.

I support the need for responsible behaviour on his/her part and understand that he/she may either be denied a place on the visit if s/he has a history of poor behaviour in school or on trips and that his/her place may be withdrawn for disciplinary reasons with monies paid forfeited.

To the best of my knowledge my son/daughter is not suffering from any medical condition that makes them unfit to participate in this visit or the activities described. I will inform Walton High immediately should this change between now and the departure date.

Whilst on the trip, I agree to my son/daughter receiving medical treatment, including anaesthetic, as considered necessary by the medical authorities present.

Name of person signing the form: Please print

Relationship to student:Please print

Signed:

Date: