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Dear Parents, Guardians and Students

Sixth Form Trip to New York, February Half Term 2023

I am very excited to be able to offer the opportunity for Joint Sixth Form students to participate in a trip to New York City during the February half term holiday of 2023. I know this may seem a long way off, but I am hoping that early notice of this trip will enable students to make the savings plans necessary to join us. This trip is open to all students who are currently studying in Year 11 and Year 12 who will be members of the Joint Sixth Form next academic year. We are not able to take students who are educated at another educational establishment.

At this stage the itinerary is not confirmed but we plan to spend five days in the centre of New York, as close as possible to all the sights this fantastic city has to offer. We will fly from London to New York and we will use public transport during the length of our stay.

Whilst in New York, we will see as many of the sights as possible including the Empire State Building, the Statue of Liberty, the Guggenheim Museum and Times Square. We will also attend either an ice hockey or a basketball game or ice skating in the centre of Manhattan, depending on schedules and we will obviously have some time to shop! Previous trips to the Big Apple have been unforgettable experiences not to be missed. Students find it difficult to pinpoint the highlights with ice skating a definite favourite as well as walking through Brooklyn to see New York's famous graffiti.

The cost of the trip will be in the region of £1500 to include travel, accommodation, all meals and activities. The cost will not be finalised until flight costs become available and we have final numbers, but we will endeavour to keep it as close to £1500 as possible. I can assure you that every effort will be made to ensure the trip is the best possible value for money for the students.

You will appreciate that the school has limited funds and the ability to run trips depends on your voluntary payment. If insufficient payments are made the trip may have to be cancelled. Any parent who requires financial assistance to enable their child to take part in this trip should contact me or the school office where an application form will be forwarded for you to complete.

I am writing now in order to allow parents and students enough time to pay for the trip. If you would like your child to participate, please complete the reply slip and return with a deposit of £100.00, payable through Wisepay. **Please note the deposit is refundable until we advise you of the final cost of the trip. At which point if you are still interested it will become non – refundable and the cost of the airfare only will be due at that time.**

Reply slips should be returned to me by **Friday 18th February 2022**. Places are limited so it will be a case of first come first served. Once the cost of the trip is finalised, you will be issued with a payment schedule so the remainder can be made either in full or in instalments.

Yours sincerely

Adam Teasdale (Trip Leader)
Asst. Headteacher, Head of Sixth Form.
The Sir John Colfox Academy



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PLEASE RETURN TO STUDENT RECEPTION WITH PAYMENT BY Friday 18th February 2022
 To: **Adam Teasdale, Sixth Form trip to New York, February Half Term 2023**

I give permission for my child to take part in this trip and **confirm that I have paid a deposit of £100 via Wisepay.** I understand that the deposit is refundable until the final cost has been finalised at which point if I am still interested it will become non-refundable.

Student's Name (as it appears on passport):

Tutor Group

My child does NOT have any medical conditions of which the trip leader needs to be aware.

My child has a medical condition and I am happy with the arrangements for their care whilst on the trip.

Signed Parent/Guardian Name (Please print)

Date

[Please note it is important that you inform the school of any changes to the Emergency Contact and Medical Information you have already provided so that trip leaders are fully aware of these details - If any health, allergy, dietary or emergency contact details have changed, please make a note on the back of this slip]

