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Dear Parent/Carer,

HISTORY TRIP BERLIN, GERMANY 19-22 DECEMBER 2019

We are planning a trip for Year 11 History students to Berlin, Germany. The trip will run from Thursday 19 to Sunday 22 December 2019.

This trip is designed to support students' learning for their GCSE History course, enabling them to experience the places and get a real sense of the significance of the events they have studied. This will also enhance and supplement their education in terms of their moral, cultural and social development.

The price of the proposed tour is £550, which will include:

- Flights to and from Berlin (departing from Luton Airport)
- One item of checked baggage and one item of hand luggage per person
- Coach to and from airport in England
- Coach to and from airport in Germany
- Three nights' hostel accommodation (one night full board)
- Two course meal with soft drink at Hard Rock Cafe
- Olympic Stadium guided tour
- Coach excursion to Sachsenhausen concentration camp
- Guided walking tour of Berlin
- Entrance to the Topography of Terror
- Entrance to Wallmuseum-Haus at Checkpoint Charlie
- Entrance to DDR Museum
- Entrance to Berlin TV Tower
- Entrance to the Jewish Museum

Please note that the trip will also include dinner at a Christmas market on one evening and train travel on two of the days. Students will need to bring approximately €30 with them to cover these costs. In addition to this, we will be visiting three Christmas markets. Students will need to bring extra money if they wish to purchase anything at these venues.

The school will make a booking with the tour operator on behalf of students wishing to go on the trip. It is understood that by paying the £150 deposit, all conditions of the booking, as laid out in the attached parental agreement, are accepted and one such condition is that **deposits are non-refundable, under any circumstances**, once your child's place on the trip has been confirmed by a letter, which will be received via ParentMail.

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We have only 30 student places available, which will be allocated to the applicants with the highest attitude to learning grades in all subjects.

If you would like your child to be considered for a place on this trip please complete and return the attached parental consent form to the Payment Box during break or lunchtime only and the deposit of £150 paid directly to: www.parentmail.co.uk by Friday, 17 May 2019. Parents who do not have access to www.parentmail.co.uk should contact Mrs Newall at gnewall@buckinghamschool.org. Any application without the attached completed information, deposit and the Parental Agreement/Contract will not be considered. All unsuccessful applicants will have their deposits returned via www.parentmail.co.uk.

Below is the payment schedule and should you have any questions regarding this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Payment due by:

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| 17 May 2019 | Immediate | £150 | Deposit to secure a place |
| 17 June 2019 | | £100 | |
| 17 July 2019 | | £100 | |
| 17 August 2019 | | £100 | |
| 17 September 2019 | | £100 | Final balance |

Yours faithfully

Miss R Buck
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