Parmiter's School

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Dear Parents and Carers

**Year 9 Spanish Language and Cultural Trip to Valencia - Tuesday 14 to Friday 17 September 2027**
**Expression of Interest**

The Spanish Department would like to offer Year 9 students the opportunity to take part in a residential trip to visit the historic and beautiful city of Valencia in Spain from **Tuesday 14 September to Friday 17 September 2027**.

The aim of this visit is to motivate students in their language learning by giving them the opportunity to use the Spanish they learn in lessons, as well as to find out more about Spanish culture. We will be offering cultural activities such as visits to local attractions, as well as tasks to improve their linguistic skills. Students will be accompanied on all these activities by teachers from Parmiter's School.

The cost of the trip will be approximately **£800**, depending on numbers, and will cover all travel, three nights' half board in hotel accommodation and entry to all day and evening activities. These are likely to include **Valencia Cathedral, the Oceanogràfic, a walking tour of the city and a tour of the Mestalla Stadium**, amongst others.

Many students return from residential visits with increased self-confidence, stronger social skills and a greater willingness to embrace new challenges both in and out of the classroom.

If your child is interested in taking part in this trip, please complete the Expression of Interest Form by **no later than Monday 9 November 2026**. **Places are limited and completing the Expression of Interest Form does not guarantee your child a place.** ***Unlike previous years, places are not allocated on a first come, first served basis.***

If the number of students wishing to attend exceeds the number of places available, a reserve list will be held. We regret that, should a place not be offered to your child, no discussion will be entered into as to why that decision has been made.

If your child is allocated a place on the trip, a **non-refundable deposit of $150** will need to be paid by **no later than Friday 13 November** to secure your child's place. Failure to meet this deadline will result in the place being withdrawn and offered to the next student on the list. A payment schedule will be provided, in due course, for those students who are offered a place on the trip.

**The safety and well-being of the students is our prime consideration. We hope that this will be a successful and enjoyable trip, therefore, in the lead-up to the trip, all places will be subject to the lead teacher's satisfaction that the student is a suitable representative of the school. Students who do not conform to the school's Behaviour Policy during this time will forfeit their place and any monies already paid. During the trip, if your child fails to meet the behaviour expectations, then you will be asked to make arrangements to collect your child from Valencia at your own expense and participation in future residential trips will be at risk.**

We strongly encourage students to consider taking part in this fantastic opportunity. The combination of culture, history and access to the Spanish language makes this a truly memorable experience that students will benefit from for years to come.

Yours sincerely

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