



TO: PARENTS/CARERS OF YEAR 9

09 June 2015

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 9 Graduation - Trip to Thorpe Park, Monday 13 July 2015

I am writing to confirm the arrangements for the end of Year 9. This is a time of great importance for students as they look forward to the commencement of their GCSE studies.

As a reward for all their efforts whilst in Key Stage 3, and to mark their transition to KS4, the KS3 team is delighted to be able to offer a celebratory trip for all students to Thorpe Park on Monday 13 July.

The cost of the trip will be £32.00 per person, which includes entry into the park and coach travel. Students should go to morning registration as usual then leave to line up quietly in their forms by the front gate. Coaches will leave the Academy at 9.00 am and arrive back at Ernulf at approximately 7.00 pm. We will ask students to send a text, if possible, when we are approaching St Neots on our return journey. To ensure students can safely disembark coaches upon our return to school, can we please ask Parents/Carers not to obstruct the bus layby at the front of the school. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Please note that the price quoted does not include the cost of food and drink for the day. Students will be able to purchase food or bring a packed lunch. This is a non-school uniform trip: please ensure your son/daughter wears weather appropriate clothing and, if hot, bring sun cream.

If you would like to secure a place for your son/daughter on this trip, please complete payment of £32 via Parentpay by Friday 26 June 2015. If you have not yet activated your Parentpay account, please contact the Finance office who will be able to assist you, please do not bring cash or cheques into school.

Please complete the attached reply slip and return it to the Finance Office. You can assume your son/daughter has a place on the trip unless you hear otherwise from the Academy.

Please be aware that participation in this event is seen as a reward for students for their positive attitude towards Academy life. Should we have any concerns about your son/daughter's behaviour, we will be in contact to discuss his/her place on this trip. Details of the trip and our expectations will be conveyed to students via assemblies and during tutor time.

If your son/daughter is unwilling or unable to attend the trip, alternative provision will be provided at the Academy. If the trip has already been paid for, unfortunately, refunds can only be considered under exceptional circumstances at the Academy's discretion.

If your child is in receipt of/eligible for free school meals you may also be able to access support from Pupil Premium for this trip. Further advice on eligibility for free school meals is available on our website. If you are not eligible for free school meals, but are currently experiencing financial hardship, the Academy *may* be able to support you. If you wish to apply for either Pupil Premium or discuss current financial hardship, please write to or email Mr D Roughley at droughley@ernulf.cambs.sch.uk.

On behalf of the KS3 team, I wish your son/daughter a successful conclusion to Year 9 and thank you for your continued support.

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact your son/daughter's tutor.

Yours sincerely



Mr L Townley
Assistant Headteacher,
Head of Key Stage 3

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REPLY SLIP – THORPE PARK TRIP

To: Finance Office

Student's Name **Tutor Group**

I would like my son/daughter to attend the trip to Thorpe Park on 13 July 2015 and have paid for the trip using ParentPay.

Signed **Parent/Carer Date**