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Dear Parent/Guardian

Year 10 Physics Trip to Space Camp

We would like to offer your son/daughter the opportunity to attend Space Camp.

Destination: Euro Space Centre, Belgium
Date of trip: Friday 24 May to Monday 27 May 2019

Students will have the opportunity to take part in the following activities:

- Shuttle Mission Simulation – looking at all of the procedures involved in lift-off;
- Astronaut training simulators – Special chairs are used to simulate low gravity and the disorientation experienced by astronauts;
- Zero gravity wall where simulation satellite repairs are carried out;
- Microrocket workshop – build and test your own rocket design;
- Briefings on astronomy;
- Presentations on life in space including the impact of weightlessness and implications for daily life.

For more details, see <http://www.eurospacecenter.be/en/school/astronaut>.

The cost of the trip will be £463.00 (based on 40 students taking part). This price includes coach travel to and from school to the Euro Space Centre in Belgium, ferry crossings from Dover to Calais, accommodation in the Euro Space Centre in multi-bed rooms for 3 nights, 2 full days in the Euro Space Centre, fully comprehensive travel insurance and all food whilst at the centre. Please note, money will be needed for meals en-route to and from the centre, additional drinks whilst there (drinks with meals are included) and no more than £20.00 for the gift shop. Please be advised that this trip is taking place after the Year 10 GCSE English Literature exams next year.

If you would like your son/daughter to attend this trip then please provide your confirmation along with a **deposit of £50.00 by Friday 29 June**. I realise that this does not leave much time but this will secure the accommodation sooner. If you are interested but cannot meet this deadline then please contact Dr Bedrock. Once we have received all deposits and we know the final numbers attending, we will be in a position to book flights and confirm the final price. The deposit will then become non-refundable. If you would like to pay by regular instalments, please send them to the Finance Office. The final balance will be due for payment by Friday 1 March 2019.

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A copy of your son's/daughter's medical form will be carried by the Trip Organiser on the trip. May I take this opportunity to remind you to inform the College of any changes to your son's/daughter's medical information including contact with infectious diseases within the 7 days prior to departure by completing a blank medical form which can be found on our website at www.st-augustines.wilts.sch.uk under 'Key Documents'.

This trip is being organised through Club Europe Group Travel. At the appropriate time, we will be providing Club Europe Group Travel with personal/sensitive information regarding your son/daughter such as names, passport information, dietary or medical requirements. For further information regarding Club Europe Group Travels Privacy Notice, please visit <https://www.club-europe.co.uk/group-travel/privacy-statement/>.

Once we have the final numbers of students, we will be in contact regarding the date and time of an information evening, and request the documents needed in order to book flights and accommodation. You will need to provide us with:

- A photocopy of your son's/daughter's passport (please check passports will still be in date in August 2019.)
- A photocopy of their EHIC card (European Health Insurance Card).
- A fully completed Personal Details Form.

If you have any questions or queries regarding the trip, please contact the Trip Organiser, Dr Bedrock by e-mail at bedrockc@sta.cc.

Yours sincerely



J C Alsop
Head Teacher

To: Reception by Friday 29 July 2018

Trip organiser: Dr Bedrock

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I give permission for my son/daughter to attend the trip as detailed above and enclose a deposit of £50.00.

Name of student: Form:

Signed: Date:

Contact telephone number: