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Sports Tour Final Information

Dear Parents/Carers

I hope your son/daughter is looking forward to the upcoming Sports Tour, I would like to take this opportunity to clarify changes to some of the arrangements for the trip and reiterate key information. I have been unsuccessful in emailing the powerpoint used at the information evening, please accept my apologies for this. I hope this letter answers any questions you may have at this stage.

Pick up/drop off times and flight information

Please drop your son/daughter off at the Shawcroft car park, Ashbourne no later than 2:25am on Sunday 27th October, teachers will be there from 2am to start the loading process, the coach will leave at 2:30am.

Please be aware the clocks go back at midnight, so alarm clocks that do not update automatically will cause you to be an hour late and miss departure!

Pick up time on return is expected to be between 11:45pm and 12pm on Thursday 31st October. We will know more when we our flight lands. Pick up location will again be the Shawcroft car park, Ashbourne.

The outbound flight is at 6:40am from Manchester to Barcelona, due to arrive at 10am Spanish time.

The inbound flight is at 8:30pm from Barcelona to Manchester, due to arrive at 10:05pm.

Both flights are operated by Ryanair.

Hoodies

Hoodies must be worn for travelling to and from Barcelona to make members of the group identifiable, and when travelling to and from fixtures on tour.

Just to confirm, students have been told they may wear their hoodies in PE lessons but not under their blazers at school.

Money

Students will need money for:

Breakfast on the day of arrival (probably £s for Manchester airport)

Lunch on Thursday in Barcelona

Dinner in Barcelona airport before return flight

The hotel will provide a packed lunch on Wednesday at Port Aventura theme park

£5 and €30-40 should cover the above and a few extra drinks or snacks. If your son/daughter is taking a larger amount and would like to keep some in a staff safe during our stay, please bring this in a sealed envelope with their name and amount inside on the front.

Itinerary changes

All activities remain unchanged, but our agent has managed to swap the days around to benefit us. As a result, we now have the added bonuses of longer in the theme park and a tour guide in Barcelona. Updated schedule is as follows:

Sunday – Flight, arrive at hotel approx. 10am for check in, lunch, free time for exploring/swimming, evening meal, bowling.

Monday – Breakfast, training session, lunch, training/fixture, dinner, quiz/games.

Tuesday – Same as Monday.

Wednesday – Breakfast, full day at Port Aventura theme park, evening meal, and possible extra football fixture.

Thursday – Breakfast, sightseeing in Barcelona, transfer to airport, flight home.

Keeping in touch

Although students will have their phones regularly, we will also be posting lots of updates and photos on our twitter (@QEGS_PE) and Instagram (qegs_pe) accounts to keep you in the loop and share photos and videos.

Packing List (23kg baggage plus hand luggage)

3X sports clothes
5X casual clothes
1X trainers (football played on 4g astro/hockey on sand/water based astro)
1X casual shoe
1X swimwear
1x pool towel
6Xunderwear
6Xsocks
1Xrain coat
Adaptor
Toiletries
Toothbrush/paste
Rucksack for hand luggage
Water bottle
Nightwear
Sun cream
Hat
Sunglasses
Hockey – shin pads, gum shield, PE top and black skort/shorts for fixtures, any personal sticks handed in by Thursday
Football – shin pads, black shorts for fixtures

Medication

Medication to be labelled with name and instructions and handed in to a first aider on the bus bay; **inhalers to be kept on person, a spare can be handed in.**

Any further questions, please do not hesitate to ask, my email is Senior@queenelizabeths.derbyshire.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

Miss K Senior
KS3 PE Leader