

**Our Ref:** SM/T/F23/L1  
**Date:** 9 May 2022  
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Dear Parent / Guardian,

### Florida Trip, February 2023

A fantastic, once in a life-time trip is being organised for February 2023 to Orlando, Florida in order to visit the Kennedy Space Center and see the Space Shuttle Atlantis. We are able to offer 40 places for 6 action-packed days.

#### Summary of the trip:

**When** 15 February 2023 to 20 February 2023, subject to flights  
**Where** Orlando, Florida  
**Cost** Approx. £1,550 - £1,750  
**Deposit** £250

#### What is included on the trip?

- Flights from UK to Orlando
- UK coach transfers
- Airport transfers in Orlando
- 4 nights at accommodation on a bed-share basis
- Entrance, workshop and lunch at Kennedy Space Center – Meet an astronaut and visit the Saturn V & Space Shuttle
- Day pass for Universal Studios
- Day pass for Islands of Adventure
- Blue Man Group Show at Universal Studios
- Trip to Premium Outlets Shopping Village
- Evening meals at local restaurants for each night
- Airport Assistance (both in the UK and Orlando)
- Travel insurance through RPA

#### What is not included?

- Breakfast and meals during the day\* (lunch is provided at Kennedy Space Center)
- Hotel security deposit (which is returned at the end of the trip)
- ESTA
- Travel Visas and Passports

\*We have purposely not included these during the tour as they don't offer good value for money and students usually end up buying their own food on top of this anyway.

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### **How to secure a place**

We expect the trip to be popular. The trip will be open on all on MCAS. **Please pay the deposit of £250 online through MCAS and bring into school the initial deposit slip attached to this letter and return it to student reception.** If more than 40 students wish to go on the trip before Friday 20 May 2022, we will organise a raffle to allocate the places and a reserve list. After Friday 20 May 2022, students will automatically be placed on the reserve list if the places have been taken. At this time, the deposit will be refundable until we receive the final confirmed price from the travel company. We will write to confirm if your child has been successful in securing a place on the trip or has been placed on the reserve list.

Once the travel company has confirmed the price of the trip, I will write to all parents who have secured a place with the confirmed cost of the trip. You will then have two options:

- a) Confirm you would still like your child to take part in the trip. You will then need to return the permission slip that will accompany the confirmation letter. Once we receive a signed permission slip, the deposit will be non-refundable.
- b) Withdraw your child from the trip and receive a refund on your deposit.

Full payment will be required by November 2022, which means the payment plan will be approximately £250 a month. Should the flights be cheaper, the payment plan will be adjusted accordingly.

### **What happens if I haven't secured a place?**

We will refund your deposit through MCAS. You will be placed on the reserve list. If a place becomes available on the trip, the group leader will contact you to see if you would like to take up the place. Places become available throughout the year, so it is wise to begin saving for the trip in the event you are contacted.

### **Covid Cancellation Protection**

The travel company (European Study Tours) has a Book with Confidence Customer Promise and the details can be found on their website: <https://www.euro-study-tours.co.uk/customer-promise>

If in the meantime you have any questions about the trip, please don't hesitate to contact me on the contact details at the top of the letter. Please detach and return the initial deposit slip to student reception with deposit paid through MCAS.

Yours faithfully,



Mr S. Miller  
**Head of Science**

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**AIREDALE ACADEMY – Science Department (S MILLER)**

**Re: Florida 2023 Trip Initial Deposit Slip**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Year Group \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to place an initial, refundable deposit of **£250** to secure a place provisionally on the Florida trip in February 2023.

I understand the cost of the trip will be confirmed at a later stage, where I can choose to withdraw my child and receive a refund.

I understand that at this stage my child's place is not confirmed and will be subject to being placed in a raffle if more than 40 students place a deposit before Friday 20 May 2022.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ (Parent/Carer)      Date \_\_\_\_\_