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Dear Parent/Carer,

I would like to invite your son/daughter on a school trip to The University of Reading as part of their educational development. The University of Reading is a Russell Group university and is now ranked in the top 1% of universities worldwide (QS University World Rankings 2016/17). The aim of the trip is for students who are interested in continuing with further education at university to experience visiting a top university and to help provide these students with the motivation to aim high. We are limited on the number of students that can attend this trip, and I would be grateful, therefore, if you would ensure that you complete the reply slip below as soon as possible to avoid any disappointment.

The trip to The University of Reading will take place on Wednesday 29 March, students will leave school at 8.00am returning at 5.00pm, travel permitting. During the day students will receive a talk about student life and a tour of the campus. Students will also have the opportunity to choose a subject specific activity from either: Science, Technology, Arts or Humanities. Students will need to bring a pen and paper. Staff will bring a camera for the group to use. Students will be required to wear school uniform for this event.

For those students who aspire to apply to Oxbridge universities we are also organising a trip for 15 students to Cambridge University on Thursday 30 March. With limited places available for this visit we would expect students that wish to attend to be aiming to attain a full complement of the very highest grades at GCSE level. At present, we are finalising the itinerary for the trip and once completed you will receive a copy. If more than 15 students apply, we will have to carefully consider who is selected. Students will need to bring a pen and paper. Staff will bring a camera for the group to use. Students will be required to wear school uniform.

For your son/daughter to attend either of these trips there will be a small charge of **£13.00** to cover transport costs. Students will also need to bring money to purchase lunch, or they may bring a packed lunch if preferred.

**Please complete and return the consent slip at the bottom of this letter and return it to the Finance Office by Friday 3 February. Payment can be made by cash, cheque or via ParentPay.**

If you have any questions or queries, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely



**Clive Crisford**  
Head of Sixth Form

**REPLY SLIP:-**

Please return to the Finance Office by: **Friday 3 February**  
(cheques should be made payable to Meridian School)

**Higher Education Visits to The University of Reading and Cambridge University on 29th and 30th March respectively.**

I give consent for my child ..... in form..... to take part in the above activity and enclose the sum of £13, or have paid via ParentPay

**Please indicate which trip you are providing consent for:**

I/we would like our son/daughter to attend the trip to The University of Reading

I/we would like our son/daughter to attend the trip to Cambridge University

My emergency contact number:  
(please delete as appropriate)

Has not changed since filling in the Data Collection Sheet  
Will be .....

My child's medical information:  
(please delete as appropriate)

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Has altered as follows .....

Signed ..... Date .....