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Dear Parents & Carers

**Re: Year 10 Thorpe Park Trip/Year 9 Drayton Manor Trip**

It's with great regret that I'm writing to confirm that we unfortunately have no choice but to cancel the end of year rewards trip we had written to you about only a few days ago.

After such a tremendously challenging and disrupted year we had hoped to be able to offer a reward trip to each year group to mark the end of term. However, as you will be aware the government have delayed the full lifting of restrictions based on rising cases across the country. Separately, in line with this announcement, the Department for Education have issued strict guidance around trips and visits. Based on this guidance, and restrictions around keeping bubbles isolated, it is not safe at this time for us to allow these trips to run.

Our main priority remains ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all members of our community whilst avoiding any disruption to education forced by any closure.

I very much hope that we would be able to reschedule these trips for early in the new year. Please also be assured that any parents who have paid the full balance for either of these trips already will be refunded in full shortly.

We understand that your child might be disappointed by this news, but we hope you can understand our position.

Yours sincerely

**Richard Brand**  
Headteacher

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