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Dear Parent / Carer,

You will now be aware that the government has advised that all school trips abroad should be cancelled for the foreseeable future. As your son / daughter had a place on one of our overseas trips, which was due to depart this academic year, it is with regret that I have to inform you that this visit will therefore no longer take place. I appreciate the disappointment that this will inevitably cause many students. We have contacted the tour operators with whom we booked each of our overseas trips in order to inform them that we will be following governmental advice, in order to ensure the wellbeing of our students and staff. We will not accept the offer of re-scheduled trips this academic year, as we prefer the option of re-booking, perhaps next academic year, if this is indeed realistic nearer the time. Tour operators have acknowledged our cancellations and informed us that they now need to speak to their respective governing bodies, before engaging in further dialogue with the school about potential refunds. We are also in regular contact with Flintshire Local Authority on this matter.

There is nothing more important to us than the welfare of students, their families and our staff, and this priority will always guide the decision-making processes which underpin school trips. Thank-you so much for your understanding. We will contact you in due course with further information.

Best wishes, Paula Williams