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Dear parents and carers,

## Spanish Trip to La Rioja – Updated dates

Following the success of our Spanish exchange trip last year the MFL Department is planning another exchange with our partner school in Calahorra, La Rioja in the North West of Spain. We still have a few spaces left on the trip and have amended the dates to ensure that they do not clash with the Isle of Wight Festival.

Students from Cowes Enterprise College will stay at the homes of children from the Spanish school, IES Los Cidacos. In return, they will then host the students here on the Isle of Wight on their return visit later that month. You will need, therefore, to be able to accommodate a Spanish student for a week. As well as helping to keep costs down, an exchange offers a fantastic opportunity to make new friends, learn more about another culture and vastly improve language skills.

The projected dates are as follows:

- Cowes Enterprise College students will be in Spain between 8<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> June.
- The Spanish students will visit the Isle of Wight between 24<sup>th</sup> June to 1<sup>st</sup> July. These dates have been amended to avoid a clash with the festival.

The cost for the trip will be £540 which will include accommodation for seven nights with a Spanish family, flights and transfers to the airports as well as a cultural programme including tours of Calahorra and Logroño, the county town.

There will also be visits to local attractions and places of interest. A trip to Zaragoza has been provisionally planned with the opportunity for shopping there as well as sightseeing.

If you are interested, please complete <u>this form</u> and pay a **non-refundable deposit of £60 to register your interest by Monday 4**<sup>th</sup> **March**. Should the trip not be viable, or if you do not secure a place this time, we will refund your deposit in full. Once we have established that the trip can go ahead, we will advise the payment schedule. Payments will be made in instalments.

We hope that you will consider supporting your child in this fantastic opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Julia Doughan MFL Teacher

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