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## RS Tour to Athens July 2023

Dear Parents/Guardians

Many thanks for your interest in and prompt payment of the deposit for the tour to Athens. It is great to announce that the tour is going ahead. Please accept this letter as confirmation of your child's place.

Our flights are booked with EasyJet at the following times (apologies for the obscenely early arrival back into Manchester) through the travel company NSL.

Departing Manchester 10/07/2023 Terminal 1 at 15:15

Arriving at Manchester 15/07/2023 Terminal 1 at 00:05

I will be writing to you again towards the end of the Spring term with a more detailed summary of departure time from RGS on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July and anticipated arrival time back at RGS in the early hours of Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> July along with further relevant information regarding our itinerary and hotel accommodation.

Although some parents have already made payment in full, I would like to provide the option to divide the remaining balance across a number of payments. The tour company has provided me with their payment deadlines which I must adhere to.

Consequently, I request that a **second contribution of £300 be made via ParentPay by 30<sup>th</sup> March 2023** and the **final balance of the trip be made via ParentPay by 1<sup>st</sup> May 2023**. You are of course welcome to make more regular and smaller payments via ParentPay but all monies must be collected by the 1<sup>st</sup> May deadline.

May I also bring to your attention the Greek rules for UK Passport holders. Passports must be:

- issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country (check the 'date of issue')
- valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date')

Further advice and guidance can be found by visiting the FCO website: [Entry requirements - Greece travel advice - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/visiting/greece)

***I will require before the end of the Spring term details of your child's passport number and date of issue/expiry.***

I will write again with a further update as well as details of an information meeting which I plan to host here at school nearer to our departure date but in the meantime, if you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me here at school or via my email address.

Yours sincerely

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