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Dear Parents/Carers,

2019 European Tour

The McAuley Catholic College HSIE Department is once again offering a European Study Tour in 2019. It is proposed to be for 3 weeks coinciding with the April school holiday period in 2019 and visit Greece, Italy and Germany.

The Tour would most likely include visits to Athens, Delphi and Olympia, Pompeii, Herculaneum and Rome, Berlin, Nuremburg and Munich. The focus of the tour is Ancient and Modern History but other HSC subjects such as Creative Arts, Geography, English, Studies of Religion and Legal Studies will be covered. Students do not have to be studying Stage 6 History to attend, but they will be required to complete a work book while on the tour.

The tour will be supervised by McAuley staff members, some are subsidised and this will be explained at the first parent/caregiver meeting. The excursion will begin and conclude at McAuley Catholic College on dates and times to be determined according to flight availability.

This tour has successfully run in 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015 and 2017. The cost of the tour in 2017 was \$6600 and included, flights, all ground transport in Europe, accommodation, insurance, breakfast, lunch and dinner daily, museum entries and other tour sightseeing costs. Incidental costs do occur in Europe and in 2017 all staff and students contributed \$100 to a tour kitty. Tour uniforms and personal spending money are not included. It is expected that a similar cost would be incurred depending on the number of students attending and currency fluctuations. This will be discussed at the first parent/caregiver meeting early in Term 2.

It is understood that the cost of this excursion may prevent some students from attending. The tour has been planned for a limited budget and interest is being sought a year in advance to allow students to save their money. Previous tours have also organised fundraising with the primary aim of raising money to buy the official tour uniforms.

The tour is open to all students in Year 11 and 12 who are enrolled in 2019. The submission of an Expression of Interest does not imply that a student would be attending. A positive record of behaviour at McAuley Catholic College, a commitment to academic study and a record of fulfilling Parish and College fees will be a pre-requisite for being accepted on the tour. The tour will only be organised if numbers of interested students is sufficient to guarantee group bookings and discounts.

Students who are interested must complete an attached Expression of Interest form and return this to the College office by Friday 13th April 2018

Yours faithfully,

Mark Bellamy
Ancient History Teacher

Matthew Lobsey
Modern History Teacher

Leanne McLennan
HSIE Coordinator

Mark O'Farrell
Principal

**PROPOSED EUROPEAN STUDY TOUR 2019 –
GRECCE, ITALY GERMANY**

Return this to the College Office by Friday 13th April 2018

EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Student Name: _____

Parent/Carer Name (please print): _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

Date: _____

Phone Number: _____

Why do you wish to attend the European Study Tour in 2019?

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Please Note:

Students have been informed that there are three eligibility criteria:

1. An excellent behaviour record over the period of their enrolment at McAuley Catholic College.

and

2. A record of commitment to study.

and

3. A record of fulfilling obligations to Parish fees.