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Dear Parents

20 July 2011

Study visit to New York, USA for GCSE Geography students

The response to our original email about this trip has been generally very positive and we believe that we have enough students interested to make this fieldwork experience viable.

Depending on exact numbers we may have to alter the itinerary slightly to keep the price as detailed below.

This visit has been carefully planned so that it fits closely with the new GCSE syllabus that your child will be following over the next 2 years. The main focus of the visit will be to study the diverse living spaces within this city, looking at social segregation and examining the spiral of multiple deprivation. We will also explore patterns of urban growth and the impact of migration on the USA.

As part of our studies we hope to visit some of the following - the spectacular Empire State Building, take a boat tour to Ellis Island and see the Statue of Liberty, view Central Park from the 'Top of the Rock,' have a guided tour of the city, visit Ground Zero, eat our evening meals in Times Square and have unlimited travel on the Metro to really explore the area.

Dates: 19 July 2012– 23 July 2012.

Travel arrangements: Flying to NYC airport from London.

Accommodation: Holiday Inn of Habsbrouk Heights

Board Arrangements: Breakfast and Evening meal provided

Students will need a full passport and they will also need to complete an online ESTA visa (costing about \$14)

PRICE INCLUDING EXCURSIONS - £990

(this does not include lunch each day and bus travel into Times Square each day)

An initial deposit of £100 will be required to secure a place on the visit by **FRIDAY 22 JULY 2011** at the latest.

This short turnaround is to enable us to secure the flights before the prices increase further. Thereafter, payment can be made in instalments of £100 a month from September, then a final payment of £90 in May 2012. We have a limited number of 45 places available for this trip and these will be allocated according to a lottery system. Once your son/daughter has accepted their place the deposit then becomes non-refundable.

The Performing School

Headteacher Mr N C Poole FRSA



Please fill in the slip below if your son/daughter would like to apply for a place on the visit and return with a cheque for £100 made payable to The Petersfield School in a named envelope with 'Year 9 and 10 Geography Trip - New York 2012' clearly marked on the front. This should be handed in to the school Finance Office by Friday 22 July.

If you would like to be given any further information about the visit then please contact me either by phone or my school e-mail address.

Yours sincerely

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Head of Geography

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To Finance Office:

Name of student _____ Tutor Group _____

I wish to reserve a place on the visit to New York 2012, I enclose a deposit of £100. Cheques made payable to The Petersfield School.

Signed (Parent/Guardian) _____ Date _____