



May 2013

Dear Parent / Carer,

I am delighted to announce that the school will be returning to Villarreal CF in southern Spain to take part in another football development tour. This trip was a new venture to the school in 2012 and following two highly successful tours, we have taken the decision to return for five days at the start of the Easter break in April next year. Over the course of the five days, students will experience professional sports coaching, play competitive games against local opposition and generally live the life of a professional footballer! Villarreal are currently chasing an automatic promotion back to the Spanish Premier Division (La Liga) after an extremely successful decade in Spanish and European competitions. This opportunity, on offer to all students currently in Year 8 and 9, will provide a unique sporting and cultural insight into the workings of a professional sports team, irrespective of gender and sporting ability.

The trip is planned to take place between Friday 4th and Tuesday the 8th of April 2014 with a very early start on the Friday and a late return on the Tuesday. The approximate cost of the trip stands at around £760 although this will be confirmed when we know of the number of students interested in taking part. The cost of the trip includes return travel to Manchester, flights to Spain, all transfers, accommodation in a local 4* hotel, access to the state of art training complex, professional coaching sessions and a great deal more. Of course, the trip will only run if a sufficient number of students are interested in committing.

If your son / daughter is interested in taking part in this once in a lifetime experience, there is more information available on the website of the tour provider we use (www.inspiresport.com) or by accessing a video on YouTube, made by Villarreal TV about our time in Spain this year - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=QPFuTk4nsSM>. The YouTube video in particular illustrates the fantastic opportunity available to students. Alternatively, do not hesitate to contact me at school on email – jaggers@fulford.york.sch.uk.

Any interest will need to be confirmed by returning the attached reply slip and a £100 deposit in a sealed envelope, marked with the students name and 'Villarreal 2014' by the end of school on Wednesday 12th June. This will allow us to finalise numbers and inform you of whether students have been successful on gaining a place on the trip by the middle of June. Over the last two years, we have been able to offer almost every student a place on the trip. However, based on demand we may need to resort to a random ballot scheme of picking names from a hat – of course, we will inform you if we have to resort to this. I would encourage any student interested in taking part, to register their interest early as this really is an unforgettable life experience.

Many thanks,

Mrs S. Jagger

Students name: _____ Year / Form: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

