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Dear Parent/Guardian

Re: Houses of Parliament

We are pleased to offer your daughter/son the opportunity to visit the Houses of Parliament as a part of the A level politics course at the Holt School. The visit will take place on **Thursday 3rd October 2019**. We will be travelling by train from Wokingham Station, departing at 08.02 and returning at 13.56 approximately. Students will need to arrive at Wokingham Station for 07.45 for registration. Part of this package involves a 'laws and debating tour'. Students will learn how British laws are developed in parliament, and the various stages a piece of legislation must go through before it becomes law. The visit involves a tour through the Houses of Parliament followed by a workshop.

There is no charge for visiting the Houses of Parliament as this is a part of the government's education services. To cover costs, including travel and insurance, we need to ask for a voluntary contribution of £31.00. We reserve the right to cancel this trip should we not have the uptake required. In case of severe financial hardship please contact Mrs Martin, Assistant Headteacher, who may be able to put you in touch with agencies that might help, or to discuss the situation.

Payment for the trip should be made via WisePay; simply login to your WisePay account for details. If you need a reminder of your WisePay login please e-mail <u>n.hopkins@holt.wokingham.sch.uk.</u> In the event of difficulties using this system, please telephone Mrs Simmons, the School Finance Manager.

Payment for the trip will be deemed as you giving consent for your daughter to participate.

Please check and amend the data that we hold for your child using the SIMS Parent App. Please ensure this is always kept up to date.

The deadline for this trip is **Friday 20th September 2019.** Please ensure you have made payment, or in the case of Pupil Premium, given consent by this date.

Yours sincerely

Mr Furlong Head of History and Government & Politics