



TEXAS SPACE TRIP 2018

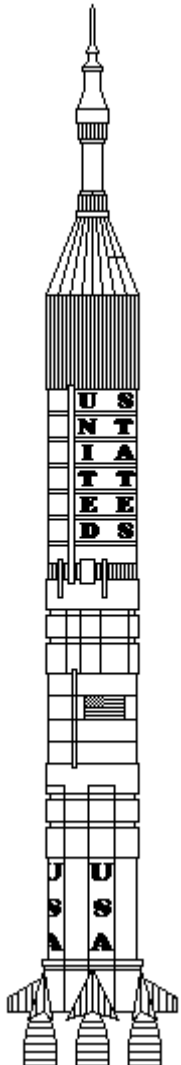
18 April 2018

Dear Student and Parent / Carer,

This newsletter is purely to update you on the funding situation.

Firstly we need to say a big thank you to the company, Visions in Education, who are organising the trip. Kim Mitchell has made a plea on our behalf and the company have reduced the final costs. If we include in the transport to the airport, but not including the T-shirts, the basic costs should come in around £1900.

We have one student who has been supported by EON, and there is a little left over from that budget that might be enough to pay for the T-shirts; we will need to look in to this in the near future.



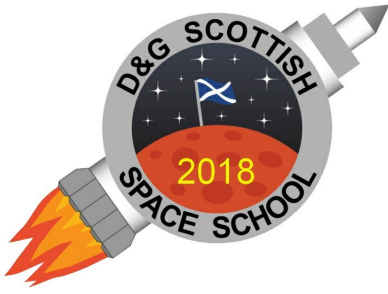
Over the holidays we heard back from the Holywood Trust. We are delighted to have been given funding of £10,000. This is an amazing and generous gift, but we had requested £16,500 and were concerned that we would need about £25,000 to cover the large number of students who have committed to this trip knowing that the finances would be a problem.

However, Mr Ormrod from Sanquhar and his team have been quietly working away accessing funding for his seven students there and has been very successful. This means that the £10,000 Holywood Trust money will not need to be used to cover the seven students from Sanquhar, so that this ought to cover the students who initially noted that they would have difficulty meeting the cost of the trip.

In addition we have raised approximately £5,000 from fundraising and would still like to do a walk to the moon. The amazing ladies who organised the very successful gin tasting were thinking of organising a soup and sandwiches lunch, and that might also be successful.

With extra effort we hope to further reduce the cost to you, but please allow for the cost of passport, ESTA and T-shirts. We should be able to give you a firmer idea of the final cost towards the end of this term. So get the sponsor forms out and the walking shoes on!

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For the ESTA forms you will need the following information:

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Please can you get copies of passports and ESTA forms to Mr Hargreaves as soon as possible. Lockerbie students can bring originals to the Science Store to be scanned if the wish.

Yours sincerely,

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