

TEXAS SPACE TRIP 2020

29 September 2019

Dear Student and Parent / Carer,

We are just over a year away from launch, and numbers have been finalised at 50 with 5 adults: Dr and Mrs Hargreaves, Mr Ormrod and his partner Dr Tracey Gray and a fifth who we are waiting confirmation from.

Let me give you an update on the financial situation

Lockerbie Academy held a bake sale on 26th September and around £55 was raised. This was due to two wonderful bakers and me buying up the stock of doughnuts and cakes from Tesco and Co-op. Initially only a few students turned up to sell cakes. We need the students to actively engage with the fund raising as this is also a really important opportunity to bond. Tesco bags of help have stopped taking offers, but I am saving up my tokens, hoping that before we go they might restart.

Lesley Sloan, our Curriculum Development Officer has sounded out the Hollywood Trust and I will be putting in a bid for the trip for £10,000. It is unlikely that we would receive any more than this and we may not receive all that we ask. This is the figure we obtained last time and this trip we are taking a greater number of students.

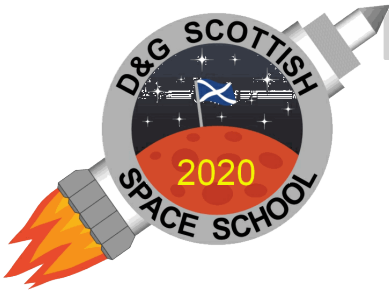
Moffat students are arranging an extravaganza for Halloween at Moffat Town Hall and they would be grateful for help, particularly from Lockerbie and Dumfries students who can get to Moffat. Details of this can be found at the end of this newsletter and by contacting Lara smith at larasmith247@yahoo.co.uk

We need parent(s) to take control of bag packing. If we can get a couple of bag packs around Christmas, Easter etc in Morrisons, Tesco (Dumfries, Lockerbie and in the West) we can really increase our funds.

Our T-shirts this year have been chosen and are orange crush. Rostrum are currently updating the logo so that it fits with the orange colour.

I've not met anyone I've tried the t-shirt on that doesn't suit the colour, although some find it a bit "loud" for their personality. Believe me when there are 50 people in a large airport anything that makes students stand out is really helpful. I have ordered the caps and hopefully they will be with us soon, so we can wear them for events.





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Christmas is coming and it would be a shame to miss this fund-raising time. I have a couple of companies who would make tote bags up with our logo and if people think they would be able to sell some, or give them as gifts to family at Christmas with "I support D&G Space School" and the logo, then we could make quite a bit of money. However, this will need some capital outlay, so if the bags don't sell we'll have made a loss. I've also looked into producing a calendar for Space school, which again we could sell at Christmas. If anyone would help me with this I would really appreciate it. Christmas is a great opportunity to make and sell Christmas cards, calendars (space theme) and objects to sell as presents.

I believe Sam Sinclair is organising a pop up shop and I think we need to plan for this a.s.a.p. and the race night would be great now the nights are getting longer.

A closed Facebook group, space trip 2020 has been set up, and if you're on facebook we'd appreciate you signing up. If you don't do social media, maybe you can make friends with someone who does so they can pass on the information.

Please consider organising more events as the year goes on. It would be lovely if students and parents get involved and set something up.

If anyone else does some fund raising on their own, do try to get it into the local paper as that might generate additional publicity and hence money.

Please keep up the payments, and if there are problems please contact Mr Hargreaves as early as possible to see if we can reschedule the payments.

Yours sincerely,

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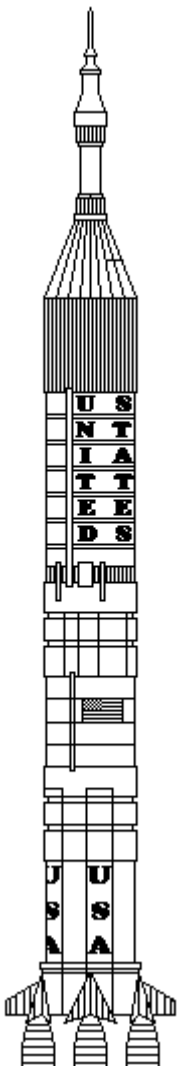
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**Come and enjoy the warmth,
scrumptious snacks and
exciting activities at...**

Our Hallowe'en Fun Night

Hallowe'en Night - Moffat Town Hall

Drop in from 5:00 - 9:00

*With lots of spooky activities, each for
a ticket!*



For all ages!!



**Costume competition
at 6:00pm**



**£2—initial 5
tickets**



£1—for a further 5 tickets



**Our spooktakular event to raise money for
our space school expedition in 2020.**