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Drax Power Station Site Tour and Air Challenge Trip

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of The Axholme Academy Pledge, year 9 students have the opportunity to attend a trip to Drax Power Station, one of the largest stations in the UK. During the site tour students will learn how Drax generates electricity, starting from fuel sourcing, transportation, storage to generation. They will then embark on their site tour which includes visiting the biomass storage domes, cooling towers, boiler house, turbine hall and control room.

After lunch students will work in groups on an Air Challenge activity that focuses on project management and aims to enhance skills such as listening, quality control, time management and teamworking.

The visit will take place on **Thursday 14th May, 2026**. Students will depart the academy at 9.15am via coach and travel to Drax, they will return to the Academy approximately 2pm. The cost of the trip is **£2 (non-refundable)**, which will contribute to the cost of travel to and from Drax. If your child wishes to attend, please make payment of £2 via ParentPay to 'Drax 2026' by **1st May 2026**. If you would like your child to go but are experiencing financial difficulties please contact the trip leader.

Your child must bring a packed lunch for the visit. If you require a Free School meal grab-bag lunch from the school canteen, this must be ordered by Monday 4th May to admin@theaxholmeacademy.com.

Students must wear full school uniform, with comfortable footwear as the site tour will take approximately 1 hour and involve several flights of stairs.

Thank you for your continued support, if you have any queries please contact the trip leader, abrown@theaxholmeacademy.com.

All students are expected to have positive Ready and Able to learn profiles between now and the trip, please note that any incidents of misbehaviour in school may lead to your child being withdrawn from the visit. In these circumstances no refund will be provided.

Yours Sincerely,

A.Brown
Careers Lead

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