

Ref 103/18

September 2018

Dear Parent/ Guardian,

Your son has expressed an interest in debating and politics through his attendance at our weekly debating society. We are very pleased to be able to offer him the opportunity to become involved in the Liverpool Schools' Parliament on **Wednesday 26th September 2018**. The Upper House Meeting at Liverpool Town Hall will begin at 9.45 am and finish at 3.00 pm. Lunch is provided- please inform us of any dietary requirements. You will be responsible for your son's transport to and from the venue. Students will meet outside of the Town Hall at **9.30 am**. Your son will be dismissed from the venue at approximately 3pm. If you have any difficulties in providing this transport, please let us know.

The morning session will be "*Meet the Decision Makers*", while afternoon session is "*Liverpool EurVoice*", facilitated by European Youth Parliament UK and will end with Question Time with local Decision Makers Parliament.

Your son is also invited to take part in the annual Athenaeum Debates as a part of Vote 100 Commemoration. This visit will take place on Thursday 22nd November 2018. More information will follow.

There is no cost involved in the visit.

Other opportunities are also available. If your son would like to participate in any of the events listed below, please contact me via email at mevans@stmargaretsacademy.com:

Make Your Mark [MYM] Campaign – from beginning of term until Tuesday 9th October those aged 11 to 18 can vote in UK Youth Parliament's MYM to decide upon 5 topics to be debated in House of Commons by Members of UK Youth Parliament on 9th November.

Radio Liverpool Schools' Parliament – Public Broadcasting School which is based in Leasowe has suggested that Liverpool Schools' Parliament has its own radio station. This will involve young people making their own podcasts which will then be broadcast online.

If you would like your son to participate, please complete the reply slip below and return it to Miss Evans in room 40 by Monday 24th September.

Many thanks for your support,

Miss M Evans

Reply slip- Schools' Parliament

I give permission for my son to attend the Liverpool Schools' Parliament meeting on Wednesday 26th September 2018. I will make appropriate travel arrangements to/ from the venue.

Name _____ Form _____

Signed _____ Date _____