

## **Spending Money**

## **How much money should you bring?**

This is the question we get asked the most in the run up to the programme. The answer is 'you know your child, you know what they are likely to spend!' In reality most students will spend an average of £10 per day when they go off campus, so £70 or so during the week for snacks/drinks/ice cream when they have free time in the places we visit. Add in some souvenir shopping and that rises to £20 a day or £140 for the week. However, this varies dramatically – some students will come back with change if you give them £50 for the week, some will spend £100s! What we would say is that students should learn to manage their money – this is part of their learning experience. They should also be sensitive to others if they are going to bring huge amounts of spending money.

## Cash or Card?

It is always a good idea to have some spending money in cash as there are certain shops where cards will not be accepted. However, we are increasingly becoming a cashless society, so a pre-paid card is also a great option.