



October 2022

**MFL trip to Normandy, France**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to announce that we are in the process of organising an end of year MFL trip to the beautiful region of Normandy. After the disruption of the last few years with so many trips and visits being cancelled, I hope that our students will welcome the opportunity to visit France and practise their language skills in real life situations.

The trip will run from Monday 10th July to Friday the 14th July, during the last week of the summer term. It will be open to French GCSE and A level students and to our students in year 9 who are considering taking up French at GCSE.

The cost of the trip is £520, which can be paid in several instalments as outlined below:

- £100 by 28th October (non-refundable deposit once a place has been confirmed)
- £100 by 30th November 2022
- £100 by 15th January 2023
- £220 by 15th March 2023

The trip is all-inclusive and will cover transport by coach and Eurotunnel train shuttle, full board accommodation in the Chateau du Molay and the cost of all visits. What is not included is the cost of any tests, vaccinations or passport applications.

For the duration of the trip, we have organised some fantastic excursions as well as activities that will give students ample opportunities to practise their French language skills. While an exact itinerary will be communicated at a later date, please find below some of the excursions that we have envisaged:

- Visit to the historic sites linked to the Second World War D Day landing such as the American Cemetery, the Arromanches beaches and museum
- Trip to Bayeux town to visit its famous gothic cathedral and the Bayeux Tapestry which depicts the 1066 invasion of England by William the Conqueror
- Bread making activity in the Boulangerie les Co Pains
- Chateau du Molay on site activities such as BBQ night, crepe and cider night, disco, frogs' legs and snails' night or karaoke night
- Visit to the Cite de la Mer in Cherbourg and to the picturesque seaside town of Honfleur
- Visit to the cheese farm Chevrerie du Mesnil Goats
- Trip to the UNESCO World Heritage site of Mont Saint Michel

Places on this trip are limited to 39 students. If you wish your child to take part in this trip, please pay the £100 deposit, complete the slip overleaf and return it to the main office, together with a copy of their valid passport, in an envelope marked FAO Mrs Jauzelon.

If your child does not have a passport but you intend to apply for one, please indicate so. Please be aware that waiting times for passport applications can exceed 10 weeks.

Once we have all expressions of interest, we will inform you whether your child has been allocated a place. Please note that once your child has been allocated a place, the deposit will become non-refundable. On confirmation of a place, you will also receive information regarding the cancellation policy of the tour operator.

I hope that I have provided you with sufficient information. Should you require any further details, please do not hesitate to contact me on the school telephone number.

Yours faithfully,

Mrs G Jauzelon  
**Head of Modern Foreign Languages**

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**Normandy reply slip – Please return to the office for the attention of Mrs Jauzelon**

Name of student

Year group

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I would like my child to take part in the trip to Normandy, France from Monday 10th July 2023 to Friday 14th July 2023.

I am including a copy of their valid passport.

I will apply for a passport and take responsibility that my child will have a valid passport to be able to travel abroad.   
*(Please tick whichever applies)*

A £100 deposit has been paid on ..... I understand that once a place is confirmed the deposit is non-refundable