

November 2025

Dear Parents/Carer

Year 7 French visit to Normandy

I am writing to give details of a proposed French visit to Normandy for Year 7 on Thursday 25th June - Saturday 27th June 2026. We are proposing a 3-day trip to incorporate the visits to D-Day landing sites as well as Mont St Michel.

The proposed itinerary for the trip will be as follows

Day One: Thursday 25 June

Depart school at 04:30 on executive coach. DVD and toilet facilities on board. Ferry crossing to Dieppe France arriving 15.00. Visit to the Pegasus Bridge at 16.00. This is a vivid

presentation of events in France between 1918-1944. Students will learn about the occupation during the Second World War, the D-Day Landings and the Liberation. Early evening arrival at our accommodation. Our pupils will be all in single beds. There will also be a talk on fire procedures this evening. Evening meal at our accommodation or Flunch.

Day Two: Friday 26 June

After our breakfast, the group will transfer to the British Cemetery followed by Mont Saint Michel. We will visit the Abbey and have some free time to explore the shops. Leave at 15.00 to head for tobogganing – we will also have our evening meal here. Return to the accommodation.

Day Three: Saturday 27 June

After a continental-style breakfast, there will be a departure for a local market. Onwards to Bayeux for a visit to the Bayeux Cathedral. We shall then head to Arromanches for a look at Mulberry Harbour and the Landing Beach. Opportunity to go shopping in the pedestrian area of Arromanches. Onward transfer to Dieppe for the sailing at 18.00. Arrival back in Newhaven and approximate arrival at school 01:00

Please be advised that this itinerary is subject to availability and group numbers at the time of booking and may be subject to changes.

All students will require an in date passport

Please check your child's passport, it is your responsibility to check they are valid to travel.

<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/france/entry-requirements>

Your passport must be:

- Issued less than 10 years before the date you enter the country (check the 'date of issue')
- Valid for at least 3 months after the day you plan to leave (check the 'expiry date')

We also advise that your child travel with a GHIC card. This card allows you to access



Please note that we reserve the right to not take any student whose attendance and behaviour in school may give us cause for concern whilst away. All students participating in this trip are required to abide by the school rules at all times and will sign a conduct agreement for travelling. If a student jeopardises anyone's safety, well-being or the school's reputation, s/he will be sent home immediately, accompanied by a member of staff, the cost of which will be borne by parents.

The trip will cost in the region of £421.60 at the moment. If the trip is over-subscribed, names will be pulled out of a hat. Unfortunately the trip will not go ahead if we cannot fill all the places, any deposits received at that time would be refunded. **Once the deposit has been received this is committing to full payment of the trip and cannot be refunded.**

Please bring in the completed return slip attached to this letter to the school reception desk and we will activate your Arbor payment account for payments. Please pay a £50 non-returnable deposit by Friday 5th December 2025 so that we can confirm our booking.

Followed by the following payments:

£95.00 28th February 2026

£95.00 28th March 2026

£95.00 28th April 2026

£86.60 28th May 2026

or you can pay in full. All payments must be received by 1st June 2026.

If you require any assistance with Arbor payments please do not hesitate to contact the school office.

Yours sincerely

Mrs S Easterbrook
Head of KS3