



Friday 27 September 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been great to see how well Year 8 students have settled into their routines over the past few weeks and made such a fantastic start to this term.

As part of our exciting wider curriculum opportunities, Year 8 students will have the opportunity to go to Paris in June 2025. This trip was run to huge success last year and will hopefully be just as popular with students this year.

Residential trips are an excellent way to enhance learning and build upon foundations learnt in the classroom. They also allow young people to develop their skillset and try a range of exciting activities such as a selection of popular, tried-and-tested excursions across France's capital city including: a memorable day trip to Disneyland Paris, opportunities to test language skills in real-life situations with French language speakers as well as hands-on authentic group activities. We will be staying in the spectacular setting at Château de Grande Romaine.

Our aim is for the students to have fun, learn new skills, become more motivated as individuals, take part in new and enriching experiences, discover more about themselves and their capabilities and to learn to support value and celebrate each other's success.

The trip will take place from Friday 13 June – Monday 16 June 2025. The total cost per pupil will be approximately £610.00, payable via ParentPay. A deposit of £130 is required to secure your child's place along with completion of the consent form. This will need to be paid by Friday 21 October via ParentPay (www.ParentPay.com). The trip is a first come first served basis and at present we have been able to reserve 126 places. If more than 126 students sign up for the trip then we will look to increase places if accommodation is available and hold a waiting list based in line with the time of application.

Please note that once you have committed to a trip, all deposits and monies paid will be non-refundable should your child withdraw from the trip.

The remaining balances can then be paid in four instalments or a one-off payment if you prefer.

The payment schedule will be:

- Mon 21 October 2024 – £130 Deposit.
- Mon 2 December 2024 – £120
- Mon 6 January 2025 – £120
- Mon 3 February 2025 – £120
- Mon 3 March 2025 – £120

Educational offsite visits are an additional opportunity for students to support their learning. Should we have any concerns regarding a student's behaviour either prior to or in the time between signing up to the trip, that student will be withdrawn from the trip and individual parents will be notified accordingly.

It is advisable that students do not take valuables on this trip. However, if it is necessary, please ensure that your own insurance covers such items.

We will be arranging an evening event, to share important information specific to the trip, at the start of the Spring Term.

Year 8 Careers Event

As part of the Year 8 careers programme this year we will be revisiting Post 16 options. On 7 October, we be undertaking a spotlight on T levels. Our guest speaker is from Coventry College where students can undertake a number of T levels in different sectors. Students will also be learning how to access our online careers platform, Grofar, so that they can record their experiences and develop a narrative of their careers journey through North Leamington School.

Yours sincerely

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