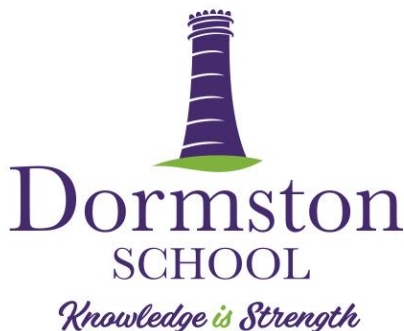


Our Ref: RPR/JGD

September 2022

Dear Parent/Carer



DORMSTON CULTURAL LANGUAGES TRIP - SUMMER 2023

The Languages Department is launching a school cultural trip to Europe towards the end of the summer term 2023. This trip is currently being planned with a specialist study tour company, and details are soon to be finalised. We have invited all students **studying languages in KS4** to partake in this exciting residential. We do have several places available and we would like to offer these places to our current Year 9 **who will definitely continue their studies to GCSE level.**

The trip will take place in the Summer term from **Monday 3 July 2023 – Friday 7 July 2023.**

We are currently liaising with our chosen study tour company, with whom we have now enjoyed 9 very successful trips abroad. We want to ensure that all activities and tours have cultural significance, whilst utilising our budget and maximizing our time in Germany and France, hopefully visiting Belgium and The Netherlands too! This is a fantastic opportunity for students to be immersed in culture, which will enrich and develop skills for their GCSE subjects. All of our students will benefit from vocabulary practice in preparation for their listening and reading exams. What better practice than being immersed in authentic language?

The cost of a trip like this is always a main concern. You will understand that, although it is a brilliant opportunity, it is not a cheap break and has been organised with a guide price not exceeding £560. The price is inclusive of 4 nights, transport, all meals, insurance, a tour guide and all entrance fees. The price is based on a best estimate of the numbers going; the exact price will be confirmed once exact numbers are known and details of the trip are finalised.

We intend to travel by coach, ferry and channel tunnel this time for our return journey. If your child is a nervous passenger or suffers with travel sickness, please make him/her aware of this when expressing interest in the trip. Obviously, all students who wish to participate must continue to demonstrate excellent behaviour within school and commitment to the subject.

If you would like your son/daughter to take part in this experience, please return the reply slip by **as soon as possible. As places are limited this will be on a first come first served basis.** Further details will be sent out as soon as we have gathered an estimate of student interest and numbers and we will then require a deposit at this stage. Can I please ask that only genuine interest is expressed to enable us to gauge accurate numbers and therefore costing?

Yours sincerely

R Palmer

**Mrs Rebecca Palmer
(MFL Trip Leader)**

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REPLY SLIP - DORMSTON CULTURAL LANGUAGES TRIP - SUMMER 2023 - Year 9

I would like my son or daughter to participate in The Dormston School Languages Trip on 3 – 7 July 2023.

Name of Pupil: Tutor group:

Signature of parent/carers:

Please return this Reply Slip to Mrs R Palmer in A11 ASAP, or alternatively e-mail an expression of interest to rpalmer@dormston.dudley.sch.uk



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