

September 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Year 7 Day Trip to Boulogne-Sur-Mer – 13th June 2026

The Modern Languages Department is excited to announce a day trip to Boulogne-Sur-Mer, France, for Year 7 students. We understand that longer residential trips can be costly, so we are pleased to offer this affordable day visit through WST Travel, with 57 student places available. Bradon Forest staff will accompany the group throughout the trip.

Boulogne is a traditional French town which will provide students with excellent opportunities to practise their French and gain more insight into French culture. The programme for the day will include a visit to Boulogne old town, the world famous Nausicaá Aquarium and a French supermarket

Exact timings will be confirmed in due course, but we shall depart from school by coach to France at approximately midnight on the evening of Friday 12th June and return to school on Saturday 13th June at about midnight. We will sleep on the coach and arrive in Boulogne at about 8.30am French time after making the ferry crossing to France.

The cost of the trip is **£125.00** which includes all travel and admission fees to Nausicaá Aquarium and insurance. Meals are **not included** so pupils will either have to bring food and snacks with them or money to cover this. If you are in receipt of Pupil Premium funding, this will be reduced to £105.00

If your child would like to participate in this trip, please give your consent via Parentpay no later than **Monday 29th September 2025**. If this trip is oversubscribed, a draw will take place and after the closing date, you will be informed if your child has a place or not on the trip.

The payment schedule once a place is confirmed is
£50.00 due 31/10/2025 (non refundable)
£50.00 due 30/11/2025
£25.00 due 31/01/2026

Please note that all payments to the tour operator are non-refundable.

Students must have their own passport, which must be valid for six months from the date of travel i.e. from 13th June 2026 and a GHIC to be able to travel. Non-EU travellers may also be required to apply for an ETIAS which the EU is planning to introduce and can be applied for online. In the event of insufficient numbers being forthcoming, all monies will be refunded.

Students should wear smart casual clothes and bring a small amount of spending money in Euros. Mobile phones are allowed for safety reasons, but the school cannot be responsible for any loss or damage.



Behaviour

Kindly note that your son/daughter's place on the trip is dependent upon their continued good behaviour and attendance.

Trips require students to demonstrate responsible and acceptable behaviour. The success of these visits is based on trust. The school reserves the right to exclude a student from going on a trip when the student has misbehaved on a previous trip, or whose general behaviour in lessons and around school has been persistently below the standard expected, and when a student could be seen as a risk to their personal safety and the safety of others.

Therefore, students not demonstrating responsible and acceptable behaviour in school will be monitored closely. If we deem that your child's behaviour raises concerns, this could have implications for them being able to take part in the visit. To this end, we will be monitoring the behaviour of the students taking part throughout the school year. If we are concerned about your child's behaviour prior to the trip, we will contact you to discuss this. If there isn't an improvement in the behaviour, their place on the trip could be at risk.

Attendance

Attendance at school is very important. It is an indicator of a students' level of well-being and ability to take part in school activities. We would expect that students taking part in this visit to have good attendance this academic year. We will therefore also be monitoring attendance to ascertain whether students are able to participate in the visit safely.

If after an offer of a place on this trip and/or payment, your child is unable to go on the trip as a result of poor behaviour, or exclusion, no refund will be available. If your child is unable to participate for any other reason, a refund will be made if it has been possible to fill the place. If your child has a level of persistent non-attendance that is a cause for concern to the school, a meeting will be arranged to discuss whether they are able to take part in the trip safely.

If you have any queries about the trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at the school on 01793 770570 or by email emarsh@bradonforest.wilts.sch.uk

The school reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place on the trip should a student's behaviour be cause for concern over their ability to participate in a responsible and acceptable manner. The school also reserves the right to withdraw the offer of a place on the trip if there are concerns with regard to health and safety.

Yours sincerely

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