

St. Edward's Church of England Academy

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7th June 2023

Dear Parents/carers,

Re: Residential visits

Our current year 5 pupils will have the opportunity to attend residential visits during the next academic year (Y6) and also when they progress throughout the school in years 7 and 8.

Pupils will have the following opportunities:

Y6 - Cornwall **82** places available

Y7 - France **80** places available (approximately) Y8 - Boreatton Camp **100** places available (approximately)

As trips can become oversubscribed, we ask that pupils express an interest for either the Y6 Cornwall trip or the Y7 France trip. In the event that trips are oversubscribed, we operate a lottery system, based on academy policy. It may be, as in most years that no problem arises as some pupils have no wish to attend residential trips; however, we do wish to make the process as fair as possible. We operate a waiting list for any oversubscribed trips and in the event of a trip being undersubscribed, we offer places on a first come, first served basis.

Please be aware that a pupil's inclusion on trips, even when a place has been offered, is conditional on their behaviour, on the grounds of health and safety.

Trip Overviews

<u>Y6 Cornwall (June 2024)</u> – 5 nights, 6 days (Sunday departure)

This is a Humanities, Science and Creative Studies combined trip. The group will stay at the Penzance Youth Hostel. Pupils will visit the Eden Project, the Maritime Museum in Falmouth, Geevor Tin Mine and the Tate Museum. In the evenings there are beach visits (weather permitting!) and a visit from an exotic pet show.

Y7 France (Summer Term 2025) - 4 nights

This is essentially an opportunity to put the language learned in the classroom into real life settings and learn more about French culture and food. The trip also includes aspects of other subjects, such as history and geography, as well as building social skills. Based in Normandy, visits in previous years have included a French market, the Bayeux tapestry, a goats' farm, the D-Day landing beaches and the iconic Mont St Michel. We enjoy games on the beach and a visit to a French supermarket. Check out our Facebook page for a flavour of this year's trip.

Costinas

As an indication, the cost of the Cornwall visit will be approximately £420*, the France trip approximately £595 and the Boreatton Camp approximately £460. Dependent on the number of pupils who attend, these prices could increase/decrease. We are conscious that the cost of residential visits is quite high so we offer families the option of paying in instalments.

*Please note: It is likely that the initial deposit for the 2024 Cornwall trip will need to be paid before we close for the summer break in July.

Preferences

We are in the process of booking the Cornwall trip for July 2024 so need to finalise numbers. Please indicate on THIS ONLINE FORM what your child's preference is by 8am on Monday 12th June 2023.

Yours sincerely, Mr Tom Hutchinson Principal















