



BISHOP CHALLONER CATHOLIC COLLEGE

Dear Parent / Guardian,

This letter is signposted for any families that have signed up to any of the International Trips that were due to take place in the summer term. You will know by now, schools will have closed to the vast majority of children on Friday 20th March 2020 until 'further notice'. At this particular point in time it is looking increasingly unlikely that the school trip will go ahead. However we still find ourselves in a position where we need to wait for an official Government announcement or a travel ban to be confirmed by the FCO (Foreign & Commonwealth Office) stating that we should not travel during the time of when the trip is taking place. We are closely monitoring all the advice available to us and will remain in constant communication with the travel company who are organising the trip on our behalf. We will inform all families immediately when we receive any further updates.

If the FCO do issue a travel ban then our travel company will offer us an alternative holiday package / change of travel dates. If the alternative plan is not appropriate to the school then they will offer us a full refund. If the FCO advises against all but essential travel to our destination, and the trip falls within this period, then we will be able to make a claim for cancellation under our school insurance policy.

At this particular point in time we would advise families to wait until such an announcement takes place. If a parent / guardian was to remove their child from the trip at present then they would be charged the appropriate cancellation fee which will still apply by the travel company.

The international trips include:

Trip	Dates	Lead staff Contact Email
Yr8 Battlefields	26 th -28 th May	c.bennett@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk
Yr10 Florence	8 th -12 th June	j.bloxidge@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk
Yr10 Berlin	20 th -26 th June	r.watson@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk
Yr7 France	Cancelled	c.mazabraud@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk
Yr8/9 Paris	30 th June-3 rd July	j.wooler@bishopchalloner.bham.sch.uk

If unsure or worried about anything related to the school trip please contact the lead staff using the contact email above.

Many thanks

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