

June 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Selwood Academy Paris Trip, France 2026 (including Disneyland Paris)

Selwood are excited to announce that we are running a residential trip to Paris, France in April 2026. The opportunity to attend this trip will be open to all pupils who will be in Year 5 from September 2025.

Proposed itinerary and accommodation

We are delighted to partner with PGL in running this trip. They are highly experienced in offering residential trips within the UK and Europe. We have chosen their site at the Château De Grande Romaine - https://schoolsandgroups.pgl.co.uk/centres/chateau-de-grande-romaine, which is located outside of Paris and within reach of our planned excursions. Our Year 7s will also have the opportunity to attend this trip to Paris, though the Year 5 group will have their very own itinerary, tailored to them for the duration.

The trip will run for 4 days (and 3 nights) between 31 March – 3 April 2026

- Tuesday 31 March Depart from school to France via coach/ferry. They will have a
 welcome tour, dinner and evening entertainment on the first day of arrival and
 evening entertainment each day.
- Wednesday 1 April A boat tour, taking in the famous sights of the Eiffel Tower and the Arc de Triomphe, including a stroll along the River Seine starting at the Place de la Concorde and through the Jardin Tuilleries. That afternoon the children will take part in exciting outdoor teambuilding activities based at an activity centre in Paris.
- Thursday 2 April A full day visit to Disneyland Paris.
- Friday 3 April Travel back to England via coach/ferry (a stop-off en-route at a local French town/ hypermarket to practise their French).

Payment information

We have been given an estimated cost of the trip but due to the time of year we still await actual excursion costs for 2026. We therefore have estimated that the trip will cost no more than approximately £550. This will include travel, excursions, activities, accommodation, insurance and full board at the venue. We are providing this information early to allow you to pay over a period of time if you wish for your child to attend. An initial non-refundable deposit of £100 will be required no later than 10 September 2025 to secure your place. If not received we will not be able to confirm your child's place and will write to you to make you aware. Further non-refundable payments will be required as follows: Payment 2: £200 – by 7 October 2025, Payment 3: £150 by 4 November 2025 and the final balance of £100 by 6 January 2026. All payments become non-refundable unless your space can be filled by another pupil if the trip is full, less the original deposit. Your ParentPay account will be live by the end of this term to enable payment to be made.

Payment of the initial non-refundable deposit of £100 will be your confirmation that your child has a place on the trip. All payments will need to be paid via ParentPay. The school currently

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purchases travel insurance through Zurich which provides a basic level of cover for all children and staff. PGL provde this package with insurance included and suggest upon confirmation of the trip details parents are should also consider purchasing their own personal travel insurance, if they require additional cover.

Selwood Activity Voucher Scheme

Pupils that are entitled to Pupil Premium and/or Free School Meals at the start of term in September 2025 will be eligible for a maximum of £50 to use on activities organised by Selwood Academy between September 2025 and July 2026. Activity vouchers can be used towards the cost of this trip, although they may not be used against the initial deposit.

If you would like to register your child's interest in this trip please complete the Google form here with all the details required: https://forms.gle/jopAbrij1tXwP1G26

Further detailed information will follow in subsequent communications and in-person meetings.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Hooper via email: luci.hooper@selwood-academy.co.uk

Yours faithfully

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