

June 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Selwood Academy Paris Trip, France 2025 (including Disneyland Paris) – Year 7

Selwood are excited to announce that we are running a residential trip to Paris, France in April 2025. The opportunity to attend this trip will be open to all pupils who will be in Year 7 from September 2024.

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 - <u>https://schoolsandgroups.pgl.co.uk/centres/chateau-de-grande-romaine</u>, which is located outside of Paris and within reach of our planned excursions. Our Year 5 will also have the opportunity to attend this trip to Paris, though the Year 7 group will have their very own itinerary, tailored to them for the duration.

The trip will run for 4 days (and 3 nights) between 1st – 4th April 2025

- Tuesday 1st April Depart from school to France via coach/ferry. They will have a welcome tour, dinner and evening entertainment on the first day of arrival.
- Wednesday 2nd April –A boat tour, a visit to the second floor of the Eiffel Tower and on to take in the famous sights of the Arc de Triomphe followed by a walk along the River Seine starting at the Place de la Concorde, through the Jardin Tuilleries and on to the Louvre for a spot of shopping where they will have an opportunity to practise their French.
- Thursday 3rd April A full day visit to Disneyland Paris.
- Friday 4th April Breakfast, travel back to England via coach/ferry with a stop-off enroute at a local French town/hypermarket to practise their French even more.

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 2025. We therefore have estimated that the trip will cost no more than approximately £580. 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 10th September 2024 to secure your place. Further non-refundable payments will be required as follows: Payment 2: £200 – by 7th October 2024, Payment 3: £150 by 4th November 2024 and the final balance of £130 by 6th January 2025. All payments become non-refundable unless your space can be filled by another pupil if the trip is full, less the original deposit.

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 purchases travel insurance through Zurich which provides a basic level of cover for all

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children and staff. Upon confirmation of the trip, parents are advised to 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 2024 will be eligible for a maximum of £50 to use on activities organised by Selwood Academy between September 2024 and July 2025. 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: <u>https://forms.gle/CUBEGSQYBHJKcpKfA</u>

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 Collins via email: <u>emma.collins@selwood-academy.co.uk</u>

Yours faithfully

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