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Dear Parent/Carer

Barcelona Trip 2024

Summary of Actions	Deadline
Pay £125.00 deposit	Friday 1 December 2023
Apply for financial assistance (if applicable)	Friday 24 November 2023

Famed for its architecture, cultural landmarks and delicious food, Barcelona is a city celebrated for its creativity, beauty and atmosphere. It truly is a beautiful city, and we are delighted to be able to organise a trip to Barcelona in June 2024.

Where are we going and what will we do?

We will stay in a hostel centrally located for easy travel around Barcelona. During our trip, we will undertake a tour of the Gothic Quarter and the awe-inspiring Camp Nou stadium. We will also visit some famous examples of Gaudi's brilliant and innovative architecture such as La Sagrada Familia and Parc Guell. Evening activities include a visit to the magic fountain light and water show.

Students will be encouraged to speak as much Spanish as they can during the trip, with opportunities for supported real-life interactions in shops, restaurants and the world-famous Boqueria Market. They will also be required to write a short diary entry each day in Spanish, describing what they did and what they plan to do.

We are running the trip in conjunction with NST, an experienced and expert tour company, who are tailoring the trip to our requirements. We have run previous trips with NST and are confident in their ability to provide a high-quality tour to our students. To find out more about them, you can click here: <https://www.nstgroup.co.uk/why-nst>

When is the trip?

We will fly in the morning of Wednesday 12 June, returning on Saturday 15 June 2024. We will communicate precise flight times closer to the date.

Who is it for?

We are inviting current Year 10 students to take part in the trip. If the activity is over-subscribed, we shall have a random selection to allocate places after the closing date, with priority being given to GCSE Spanish students. You will be notified of the outcome of this as soon as possible.



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How much does it cost?

Subject to sufficient student numbers, the cost of the trip is approximately **£760.00** per student. This includes a contingency in case flight prices have gone up at the time of booking. If the value of the flights has decreased by the time we confirm student numbers we will, of course, reflect this in the payment plan for the remaining instalments. The price includes all transport, accommodation and visit costs. Breakfast and evening meals are included, but you are asked to provide spending money each day for lunch.

If you would like your child to take part in this activity, please express your interest by making an initial deposit payment of **£125.00** on WisePay by **1 December 2023**. We will update you with details of the remaining instalments once the trip price has been finalised.

If your child is in receipt of free school meals and/or pupil premium entitlements, you may be entitled to some financial assistance. Please do not hesitate to contact us at trips@bottishamvc.org in writing in the first instance, by **24 November 2023** to ascertain what support is available. Please note it is important that you request the financial assistance by this due date as it may not be available at a later date.

Please note students participating in this trip will need to have their own valid passport and health card (EHIC) at the time of departure. The passport will need to have 6 months validity remaining on it (i.e. must not expire before January 2025). If your child has a non-UK passport, they may also need a visa for this trip which you are responsible for providing. The school will not be liable, and no refund will be made, if your child is unable to travel because they do not have a valid passport or visa (if required) on departure.

Please also confirm your child's details as they appear on their passport by clicking on this link:

<https://forms.office.com/e/4b6Qgub7cA>

The passport must be valid for travel on the dates outlined in this letter. If they do not currently have a passport, or the one they have has expired, please complete the details of the name only, as it will be on the new passport. We will be unable to consider your child's application for a place if the passport details have not been completed. Please note that once these details are submitted to the airline any amendments to those details will incur charges which we would have to pass on to the individual.

All deposits and interim payments must be made as indicated in the letter. Where payment dates are not met, the student will be deemed to have withdrawn from the activity and the school will reserve the right to deduct any expenses incurred before making a refund.

If the behaviour of a student becomes a cause for concern at any stage prior to the commencement of the visit, the school reserves the right to withdraw the student from the activity.

Thank you for your consideration of this opportunity. We very much hope that you and your child will be interested in taking part in this trip to Barcelona.



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Yours sincerely,

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