

Montsaye ACADEMY

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Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

For many years, the Academy has provided all students with the opportunity to take part in a residential experience during the early part of Year 8. In order to introduce this to parents/carer, I will be holding a presentation evening on Monday 20th January 2020 at 18:00. This will take place in the Main Hall; students may also attend if they wish.

This is an exciting opportunity for students to visit a wonderful centre in rural Northern France. The centre is Le Château du Broutel and is situated only one hour from Calais. Château staff are qualified to instruct students in a range of activities and are all British nationals.

Accommodation is of an extremely high standard (the centre was a three star hotel) with small numbers of students sharing a room with en-suite facilities. All meals are included, as are visits and activities. We are still discussing with the centre the exact detail of the 5-day programme but we anticipate it being a combination of language/cultural visits in conjunction with fun activities on site such as abseiling, climbing, raft making and much more. The experience always proves to be an exciting one. The year group will travel out to France on **Monday 12th October and return on Friday 16th October 2020**. Travel will be by coach via Folkestone – Calais (tunnel).

The cost for the five-day visit is £440. This includes accommodation, food, activities, excursions, insurance, collective passport * and all travel. In order to ensure that payment is made as easy as possible we are proposing the following system:

Deposit (non-refundable)	£100	by 24 th February
Deposit two (non-refundable)	£50	by 1 st April
Payment three	£50	by 17 th April
Payment four	£80	by 1 st May
Payment five	£80	by 1 st June
Payment six	£80	by 1 st July

If you would prefer to pay in a lump sum or in larger parts please do so. All payments should be made via the on-line payment system available from the Academy's website. Deposits must be paid by **Monday 24th February** in order to secure our booking. Please be aware that all payments for the trip **will only be refunded in line with the Tour Company's refund policy**, a copy of which is below (N.B. deposits are non-refundable). All funds are paid to the owners of the Château (Manor Adventure, Craven Arms, Shropshire) and the Academy has no control over the terms and conditions relating to refunds.

In accordance with the school's charging and remissions policy, we are asking parents to make a voluntary contribution to cover the costs of this activity. There is no obligation to make a voluntary contribution and no child will be excluded from the trip but it will be necessary to have sufficient voluntary contributions for the trip to go ahead.





* We hope to continue using the collective passport, however there is still some uncertainty due to Brexit negotiations. **Please bear in mind that your child may need to travel on their own passport.**

We would like all children to take part in this activity. If you or your child have any concerns about this visit, please contact us at the Academy.

Yours sincerely,

Claire Petchey
Year 7 Progress Leader

MANOR ADVENTURE BOOKING TERMS AND CONDITIONS

3. CANCELLATION BY A CLIENT

All cancellations must be received in writing to Le Château. Cancellation charges by the Party Leader, on behalf of the group, are set out below.

Period before departure during which cancellation is received:

Cancellation charges per person:

70 days or more Deposits Paid

69-14 days 75% of total

13 days or less 100% of total