

Dear Parent/Carer

29 January 2019

We have previously booked an eight day trip to the Ardèche River and French Mediterranean Coast. The trip involves three days canoeing on the Ardèche River (including a three day descent) and the rest of the time windsurfing, sailing, sit-on kayaks and ocean riding on the Mediterranean Coast. For the trip to actually take place, we will need 45 children but have capacity to take up to 88. If numbers do not allow I will return the £80 deposit. If the trip is over-subscribed, we will have a reserve list based on a first come, first served basis. The trip is open to students currently in Years 7 to 9.

The dates of the trip are from Sunday 26 July – Monday 3 August 2020. Please note that this is one into the summer holiday in 2020.

Travel is by coach and accommodation is in dormitories and tented villages. We are based at the Club Mimosa for the coastal activities and Segries for the Ardèche canoeing.

The cost of the trip is £700, which includes all activity equipment and instruction, return travel, accommodation, all meals at the centres and comprehensive insurance. Should you wish your child to be considered for the trip, please return the form attached to the Finance Office at school with a non-refundable deposit of £80.

This trip is usually highly over-subscribed and so in order for it to be fair to all the only way to secure a place will be through a deposit accepted from 8.00am on Monday 4 February at the Finance Office.

Please DO NOT pay via the school's online payment system but by cash/cheque (made payable to The Castle School). This ensures we can be fair in the allocation of places.

If you are currently receiving Free School Meals, please tick the box below as there may funds available to help cover some of the cost of the trip.

A second non-refundable deposit of £130 is required by Monday 1 April 2019, and the final balance by Monday 20 April 2020. Money can also be paid into the Finance Office at any time, but we will expect monies to be paid in accordance with the schedule on the next page.

Yours sincerely

Martin Wilkins
Trip Leader

ARDECHE/MEDITERRANEAN ACTIVITY TRIP 2020

I would like my child Form to be considered for the above trip. I enclose cash/cheque for (made payable to The Castle School). I understand that deposits are non-refundable except where covered under the insurance.

I am currently receiving Free School Meals

Student's name..... Form..... Date

Signed Parent/Carer

Payment schedule for Ardèche watersports activity residential. (26 July – 3 August 2020)

1 st Deposit	£80	On Monday 4 Feb from 8.00am
2 nd Deposit	£130	By Monday 1 April
3 rd Payment	£100	By Monday 3 June
4 th Payment	£100	By Monday 2 September
5 th Payment	£100	By Monday 4 November
6 th Payment	£100	By Monday 3 February 2020
Final Payment	£90	By Monday 20 April 2020
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Total to pay	£700	