


Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

**Key Stage 3 Educational Visit to France – March 2026**

Purpose of the visit	<p>Following the success of this year's visit to France, we are planning another visit for next year. We are planning a five-day visit with lots of exciting excursions. The itinerary is designed to give pupils a fantastic opportunity to experience the language, culture and history of the region. The social benefits of our visit are also considerable and pupils make memories to last a lifetime.</p> <p>We will be staying in the Château at les Hellandes, Angerville l'Orcher. Children will be sleeping in rooms of between 3 and 6 beds with shower and toilet facilities shared between rooms. We will have sole use of the building. Breakfast and evening meals will be served in the dining room and we will be provided with packed lunches each day. There is plenty of space in and out of the Château for activities and recreation.</p>
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Who is it for	<p>This visit is open to pupils currently in Years 6 and 7.</p> <p>We have been successful in provisionally booking 50 places for this visit, therefore if interest is high, we will seek to allocate places by drawing names from a hat. I will then write to those of you whose child has been allocated a place, with further details of the itinerary and also dates for when payments will need to be made. If we are unable to offer your child a place, their name will be placed on a reserve list.</p> <p>In the first instance, if you would like your child to participate in this visit, could you please complete the online 'expression of interest' form via the link or QR code below <b>by 12:00noon next Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> June.</b></p> <p><a href="https://forms.office.com/e/wi3H0Z1TfP">https://forms.office.com/e/wi3H0Z1TfP</a> or </p>
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Date	<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> to Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026</b>
Departure Time	TBC
Return Time and Place	<p>Time – TBC</p> <p>Place – Ryecroft CE Middle School</p>



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Pupils will need	<p>All pupils will need to have their <b>own passport</b> for the visit, which is an additional cost (currently £61.50 if you apply online). The passport must be valid for at least three months after 20<sup>th</sup> March 2026.</p> <p>They will also need an <b>GHIC health insurance card</b> (which can be ordered online on NHS website at no charge).</p>
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Cost  
(Please keep this letter for your reference)

The total cost of the visit is **£575**, which is fully inclusive of all transport, insurance, meals and accommodation, all excursions and visits whilst in France. The cost also includes a French visit hoodie, which not only helps us to keep a close eye on our pupils whilst travelling, but is also a lovely souvenir of the visit. There will be breakfast included on the outward ferry journey and an evening meal on the return.

Should your child be allocated a place on the visit, a **non-refundable deposit** of **£100** per pupil will be required **by next Friday 13th June 2025** to secure the booking.

Arrangements can be made for the full cost of the visit to be paid on a monthly, or termly basis. The balance must be paid in full by 16<sup>th</sup> January 2026. Following a £100 deposit, this works out at five monthly payments of £75 and a final payment of £100, if you would like to pay monthly.

All payments are non-refundable and are to be made via the Arbor App/Portal under ‘School Visits’.

Payment	Due By	Amount Due
Non-refundable deposit	13 <sup>th</sup> June 2025 (midday)	£100.00
Instalment 1	25 <sup>th</sup> July 2025 (midday)	£75.00
Instalment 2	26 <sup>th</sup> September 2025 (midday)	£75.00
Instalment 3	24 <sup>th</sup> October 2025 (midday)	£75.00
Instalment 4	21 <sup>st</sup> November 2025 (midday)	£75.00
Instalment 5	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 (midday)	£75.00
Final Instalment	16 <sup>th</sup> January 2026 (midday)	£100.00



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Terms and Conditions of the booking	Like with any holiday booking through a travel agent, deposits and payments are not refundable. In addition to this, if the agreed amount is not paid in full by the dates agreed, your child may not be allowed to travel. Please refer to our Terms and Conditions for School Visits by visiting our website by copying and pasting the link below into your search engine: <a href="https://www.ryecroft.staffs.sch.uk/parents---carers/terms-and-conditions-for-school-visits">https://www.ryecroft.staffs.sch.uk/parents---carers/terms-and-conditions-for-school-visits</a> By signing up to this visit, you are agreeing to the terms outlined.
Other Information	<b>Pupils attending this visit will need to have a record of good behaviour and demonstrate that they can obey safety and other rules. Anyone whose behaviour is judged unacceptable may be excluded or required to return home early and any expenses incurred will be the responsibility of their parents.</b>

Yours sincerely

**Mrs V Twynham**  
Lead for French/Visit Lead

**Mrs A Grattage**  
Executive Headteacher

