



Monday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2026

Dear Parents/Carers

**Key Stage 3 Educational Visit to France – March 2027**

<p>Purpose of the visit</p>	<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 on the Opal Coast in <i>Artes Le Cap d’Opale</i>. This fantastic accommodation is located in the lovely seaside town of Ambleteuse and is within easy walking distance of the beautiful dunes and beach. The rooms sleep 2-7 with each benefiting from en-suite bathroom facilities. Breakfast and evening meals will be served in the dining room and we will be provided with packed lunches each day.</p>
<p>Who is it for</p>	<p>This visit is open to pupils currently in Years 6 and 7.</p> <p>We have been successful in provisionally booking 40 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 Arbor (under Trips) <b>by 12:00noon this Thursday, 23<sup>rd</sup> April.</b></p>
<p>Date</p>	<p><b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> to Friday 19<sup>th</sup> March 2027</b></p>
<p>Departure Time</p>	<p>TBC</p>
<p>Return Time and Place</p>	<p>Time – TBC Place – Ryecroft CE Middle School</p>
<p>Pupils will need</p>	<p>All pupils will need to have their <b>own passport</b> for the visit, which is an additional cost (currently £66.50 if you apply online). The passport must be valid for at least three months after 19<sup>th</sup> March 2027.</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>



Cost  
(Please keep  
this letter for  
your  
reference)

The total cost of the visit is **£600**, 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 £120** per pupil **by next Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April** to secure the booking. A **copy of the child's passport (photo page)** will also be required by **Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> October 2026**. Please hand the passport copy to the office.

Arrangements can be made for the full cost of the visit to be paid on a monthly basis. Following a £120 deposit, this works out at one payment of £100, five payments of £65 and a final payment of £55. **The balance must be paid in full by Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

**All payments are non-refundable** and are to be made via the Arbor (under Trips).

Payment	Due By	Amount Due
Deposit	29 <sup>th</sup> April 2026 (midday)	£120.00
Instalment 1	29 <sup>th</sup> May 2026 (midday)	£100.00
Instalment 2	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2026 (midday)	£65.00
Instalment 3	29 <sup>th</sup> July 2026 (midday)	£65.00
Instalment 4	29 <sup>th</sup> August 2026 (midday)	£65.00
Instalment 5	29 <sup>th</sup> September 2026 (midday)	£65.00
Instalment 6	29 <sup>th</sup> October 2026 (midday)	£65.00
Final Instalment	29 <sup>th</sup> November 2026 (midday)	£55.00



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<p>Terms and Conditions of the booking</p>	<p>Like with any holiday booking through a travel agent, deposits and payments are non-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.</p> <p>By expressing an interest to this visit, you are agreeing to the terms outlined in the Terms and Conditions &amp; Student Code of Conduct for School Visits policy. A copy of this policy can be found on our website via <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> .</p>
<p>Other Information</p>	<p><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></p>

Yours sincerely

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Lead for French/Visit Lead

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