



1st July 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

YEAR 8 Residential to Normandy – Monday 24th May to Friday 28th May 2027

Date	Monday 24 th May to Friday 28 th May 2027
Venue	Normandy – Chateau du Molay
Departure Time	TBC
Return Time & Place	TBC – James Bateman Middle School
Curriculum Links	History – visits to D-Day landing sites, war cemetery, Bayeux Market Town Geography – Mont Saint Michel, ferry crossing RE – Abbey at Mont Saint Michel Culture – Goat cheese farm, foreign travel Maths / Budgeting – buying own lunch at Bayeux Market PE – Normandie Luge
Pupils should bring with them	Refillable water bottle, small rucksack, swimwear, beach towel, shoes for indoor use only, towels for washing, toiletries, suitable footwear and clothing – don't mind getting muddy.
Clothing	Pack for France – check weather forecast for Normandy
Medication	If your child has medication in school, this will be taken on the trip with staff. Please give travel sickness tablets before school.
Cost	The total cost of the trip is £521 per student and includes travel to and from Normandy, accommodation, travel around Normandy, all meals (breakfast, lunch and evening meal) and a full itinerary. A deposit of £100 will be required by Wednesday 2nd September 2026; <u>this will go live on Arbor on Wednesday 2nd September 2026 at 7pm</u>. Once the first 50 deposits have been received the trip will be closed and anyone wishing to participate will be put on to a waiting list. Arbor will then be available to make as many payments as required, but the below payment schedule must be adhered to: 1. £100 to be paid by 3.09.26 (Deposit) 2. £100 to be paid by 30.09.26 (2nd Deposit) 3. £53.50 to be paid by 02.11.26 4. £53.50 to be paid by 30.11.26 5. £53.50 to be paid by 29.01.27 6. £53.50 to be paid by 26.02.27 7. £53.50 to be paid by 31.03.27 8. £53.50 to be paid by 30.04.27

	The school has a contract with Travelbound to pay all monies due prior to the visit, so it is important that the payment plan is adhered to. Failure to meet the payment schedule could result in your child's place being allocated to a pupil on the waiting list.
Behaviour & Attendance	If for any reason your child is unable to attend, then we will be unable to refund any monies paid. Students on the waiting list will be offered any available spaces determined by their place on this list. If we are able to fill the space your child had, then we will refund monies paid, but all deposits are non-refundable. Students' attendance and behaviour will be taken into consideration for this trip; those with a cause for concern attendance record or those who cannot behave properly will not be allowed to go and no monies will be refunded. If you have any questions, then please contact the school.
Closing Date	Wednesday 9th September 2026 Please note that payments/consents will not be accepted after the closing date of Wednesday 9th September 2026

All students **must have a Full UK Passport. Check the expiry date of your child's passport – they should have at least 6 months remaining on their passport by the date of return travel, not counting any additional months beyond 10 years. You may have extra months on your child's passport's expiry date if you renewed their old passport before it expired.**

All students must also have a valid GHIC card:

[Which service would you like to use? - Get healthcare cover for travelling abroad - NHSBSA](#)

If you have any queries or concerns, please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Kind Regards
Mrs T Price
Headteacher