



Dream Believe Achieve

Friday 4th October 2024

Dear Parent / Carer

Re: Bad Honnef Trip to Rhineland area of Germany, 14th-18th July 2025, Year Group 8.

I am pleased to inform you that your son / daughter has been offered a place on the year 8 German Visit to Bad Honnef.

The aim of the visit is to give your child the opportunity of staying in Germany with the chance to experience the culture and language of a German speaking country

We will be staying for 4 nights on a half board basis and whilst in Germany we will undertake a number of activities and visits. We will be travelling by coach and ferry, staying in a school friendly youth hostel in Bad Honnef. Activities will be confirmed nearer the time, but typical activities include a boat trip, castle and museum visits as well as walking around towns local to Bad Honnef. The expected cost of the trip is **£606** (providing all places are taken) including all transport, half board accommodation, entrance fees and full insurance. Students will need to bring extra money to spend on lunch, snacks and also during some unsupervised time the students will have time in shopping centres/areas.

Your child will need his or her own passport as well as a valid GHIC or EHIC (NHS Health Insurance Card).

We kindly request that by securing a place on this trip, parents/carers are in agreement to follow the Payment Plan detailed below. It is important that the Plan is adhered to as it enables School to be able to fulfil an arranged commitment with the tour operator to pay invoices in instalments. It is also designed to spread the cost for parents before the final date so that a large sum does not become due in one instalment.

Payment Plan:

Instalment	Amount	Due date
Deposit	£150	By end October 2024
1 st instalment	£150	By end November 2024
2 nd instalment	£100	By end December 2024
3 rd instalment	£100	By end January 2025
Final instalment	£106	By end February 2025
Total	£606	

Please be advised that should a place be booked for your son/daughter and they later withdraw, we always endeavour to find a replacement student for the place. However if this is not possible, the tour operators terms and conditions state they will retain a minimum of the first deposit amount and up to 100% of the trip price depending on the date of withdrawal.

Should concerns be raised by school staff regarding behaviour or attendance issues of students, the school reserves the right to withdraw places on the trip at any time. Should this become necessary no refunds of monies paid will be forthcoming other than as per the tour operator's terms and conditions above.

The trip is now open and active on TSCO Scopay for all eligible students. If you wish your son / daughter to go on this trip, click on the name of the trip, enter the payment amount, add to basket and proceed to payment. A voluntary contribution of **£150** will be required by **the end of October 2024** to confirm their place. Please note that making payment is also taken as granting consent to attend. Please be aware that if insufficient funds are received or if numbers of students are too low, it may be necessary to cancel the trip.

All payments should be made via TSCO Scopay. If you require any assistance, please contact the Trip Administrator trips@sponne.org.uk or on 01327 350284.

This letter is now on the School Website - Key Information, Parents, Letters Home, Year **8**

Yours faithfully,

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MFL Teacher