



19 April 2023

Dear Parents / Carers

**Subject Rhineland, Germany 19 - 23 October 2023**

The MFL Department is excited to be proposing a school tour to the Rhineland, Germany to support our curriculum plans for students of German and enhance their learning experience in school.

Here are the key details about the planned trip:

5 days and 4 nights

Depart on Thursday 19 October 2023

Return on Monday 23 October 2023

Full board accommodation

Then itinerary for the trip will include:

Koblenz cable car and visit to Deutsches Eck (the confluence of the Rhine and Moselle Rivers)

Marksburg Castle tour

Rhine river cruise

Lunch in Rudesheim

Leoreley Rodelbahn experience

Cologne Chocolate Museum and Cathedral

Bayer Leverkusen tour

Phantasialand

Ferry crossings between Dover and Dunkirk

The cost of the trip is £480 per student. In addition to the tour cost, we recommend your child has spending money for the trip. They will also require a current passport. The group size is 40 with a ratio of 10 students to 1 teacher. A tour director from Connect Studies will accompany the trip.

The payment schedule is:

First Deposit by Monday 2nd May: £50 (Non-refundable deposit)

Second Deposit by Monday 3rd July: £215

Final Deposit by Monday 5th September: £215

Payment should be made via sQuid, our online payment system. **Cash and cheques will not be accepted.** Please log onto the system ([www.squidcard.com](http://www.squidcard.com)) and select the 'trips/activities purse'. This trip will be clearly visible as MFL Rhineland (yr 23/24) and must be specifically selected in order to make payment. Please follow the instructions on screen. An emailed receipt will automatically be sent to you by the system once payment is made.

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It is very important that payment is made before the stated deadline. The school does not have funds available to meet the cost of late contributions. Regretfully, a failure to pay promptly may result in your son or daughter being removed from the trip.

Parents will be asked to confirm, when paying a deposit, that they are willing for their child to comply with whatever travel requirements may be in place at the date of departure. This may include a requirement for your child to hold an up to date covid vaccination.

Vyners School has in place detailed procedures for ensuring that trips are well planned and that the health, welfare and safety of students is protected. A careful and written risk assessment has been prepared for this trip and adequate student supervision and insurance arrangements will be put in place.

It is expected that all students will observe the highest standard of politeness, courtesy and conduct at all times. Our students are representing Vyners School and it is expected that they will do everything in a way that reflects positively on themselves and the school. The School's Behaviour Policy continues to be in force throughout the trip. Should it prove necessary to send a student home for misbehaviour, parents / carers will be expected to meet all extra costs incurred. In the event of a student being refused participation on a trip before departure because of poor behaviour, any contributions already paid will also be forfeit.

If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me. ([okelly@vynersschool.org.uk](mailto:okelly@vynersschool.org.uk)).

Yours sincerely



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