



Monday, 8th September 2025

Dear Parents,

Year 6 Study Trip to Normandy, France – Monday 15th to Friday 19th June 2026

I am excited to announce that we are organising a trip to Normandy, France, with Travelbound for all Year 6 pupils in the summer term. The cross-curricular trip will take place during the school's activity week, leaving on Monday, 15th June and returning on Friday, 19th June 2026.

The trip will cost £790 per pupil. To secure your child's place on the trip, a non-refundable deposit of £200.00 is payable via bank transfer by Monday 29th September 2025. Please see the school's BACS details below and kindly complete the consent form via [this link](#). The remaining balance for the trip will be divided equally between your Spring 2026 and Summer 2026 termly fees invoice. If your child is ill or cannot make the trip once confirmed, I am afraid the school cannot offer any refunds.

The cost includes fully comprehensive travel insurance; however it does not include personal spending money. British nationals require a passport which is valid for at least 3 months after the date of our return. Parents are responsible for ensuring that their child holds the correct documentation to travel. Please see the following link for current requirements and note that requirements may change [Entry requirements - France travel advice - GOV.UK](#). If your child is not a British passport holder, entry requirements may differ, and parents should check with the relevant authority. Further information and details will be communicated nearer the time.

We will be travelling to Normandy by executive coach via the Channel Tunnel with stops for toilet breaks and for lunch en route. We will be staying 5 days and 4 nights at the Château de Molay, a historic 18th-century chateau in the heart of Normandy, just a few miles from Bayeux. This will serve as our base from which we will explore what the region has to offer. A more detailed itinerary will be provided later in the year, however, to give you a taster of what your child will be doing, here is a provisional plan:

- day trip to the historic D-Day landing beaches of Normandy, war cemeteries and the Arromanches museum where the children will learn about WW2.
- visit to the stunning Mont St Michel.
- discover how some traditional French artisanal products are made by visiting a local farm.
- visit to a snail farm.
- market mission – the children will be tasked with buying the ingredients for their own lunch at a local market (then return to the Château to prepare it).
- the opportunity to show off and practise their French every day.
- fun evening entertainment provided by Travelbound staff.

We are very much looking forward to sharing this exciting learning opportunity with your children. More information about this trip will be shared with you at the Year 6 information evening scheduled for Thursday 11th September, but in the meantime, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully,

Sharon Cochrane
Head of French

The school's BACS details are:

Account Name: Ripley Court School

Sort Code: 30-99-55

Account Code: 24769668

Please use the reference FRANCE- (SURNAME OF YOUR CHILD) when making the payment so that we can identify it.