

Enrichment Week 2020

Year 8 Trip to Barcelona, Spain



Name:	Year 8 Trip to Barcelona (Students of Spanish and French)
Package Number:	2
Date:	Monday, 29 June – Thursday, 2 July 2020
Cost:	£600
Trip Leader:	Mrs Nicola Merrison
Tour Operator:	NST
Places Available:	42 Places – Year 8 Only

Overview

This is a fantastic opportunity to spend 4 days/3 nights in the fabulous Spanish city of Barcelona with coach to Bristol airport and flights to Barcelona. We will be staying in a central Youth Hostel with breakfast and dinner included.

We will visit the world famous sites of Sagrada Familia Cathedral, Parc Guell, Poble Espanyol (traditional Spanish village), Barcelona market, Barcelona FC's Nou Camp and also experience a flamenco evening AND a day trip to PortAventura theme park.

We will be leaving Ivybridge Community College Coach Park on Monday, 29 June and will return on Thursday, 2 July late in the evening. The students will be travelling by coach to Bristol Airport before continuing to the Urbany Hostel which is situated in central Barcelona.

The cost of the trip is £600. Students will need to bring with them money for lunches on each of the 4 days and any money that they would like for souvenirs.

Please be aware that the students will need an **individual passport** which is your responsibility to obtain; we no longer provide group passports. This must be valid until at least the end of January 2021 (six months after we return). They will also need a **European Health Insurance Card (EHIC)** which can be obtained online and is free. Please note that this is all subject to change depending on Brexit.

The students will be allowed to wear their own clothes throughout the trip. We expect the weather to be warm but students should pack a warm jumper and a waterproof just in case. They will also be required to carry an Emergency Contact Card with them at all times (provided by the College) which will contain the details of where they are staying (written in Spanish), and teaching staff details.

The trip is an excellent opportunity for students to experience Spanish culture but IS NOT ONLY FOR STUDENTS OF SPANISH.

Overview

Travel

We will be travelling by coach to Bristol airport and then again by coach to our youth hostel in Barcelona. There will be some use of public transport in Barcelona though many sites are in walking distance of the youth hostel. Our coach will transport us to PortAventura Theme Park.

Accommodation

We will be staying in Urbany Hostel situated in central Barcelona. It offers a high standard of group accommodation in 4 – 8 bedded rooms and all have ensuite facilities. The hostel is a short walk from the Sagrada Familia and central Barcelona and is a mile from the beach.

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Barcelona

Barcelona is a charming city and is acknowledged as having inspiring monuments and great excursions. Barcelona is ideal for an all-round educational, cultural and enjoyable tour.

Insurance

Comprehensive travel insurance is provided by NST.

What is included in the price?

- Return travel by coach and aeroplane
- Meet and greet at Barcelona Airport
- Half board accommodation
- Full programme of excursions
- Fully comprehensive travel insurance

Payment Information

Booking and payment of a package must be made using ParentPay. If you have not used it before, please go to www.parentpay.com and log in to activate your account and use the user name and password sent to you by the College.

All packages have a maximum number of spaces and are offered on a 'first come first served' basis. All packages are different with regards to the number of available spaces. If a package is full, students must choose an alternative package.

Once booking is completed and deposits are paid, a student's place is automatically secured. Students' details will be extracted from SIMS for offsite trips to include parent contact details, medical information, and allergies. Please ensure you inform the College of any changes in personal details. The act of booking and paying for your child's package on ParentPay represents consent for them to participate in that chosen package.

If you would like further information regarding ParentPay or you encounter any complications please do not hesitate to contact orders@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk or telephone the College and ask to speak to the Finance Team.

Payment Plan

We now ask that you begin to make payments via ParentPay. To ensure that all money is paid to the travel company in accordance with their deadlines, a suggested schedule of payment is detailed below:

By Monday, 25 November 2019	£50.00 initial deposit
By Monday, 6 January 2020	£110.00
By Monday, 3 February 2020	£110.00
By Monday, 2 March 2020	£110.00
By Monday, 6 April 2020	£110.00
By Monday, 4 May 2020	£110.00

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Deposit and Schedule of Payment

After Monday, 6 January, you are committed to the package that is signed up for and all the costs involved. No refunds are possible after this date. If there is an exceptional circumstance where your son/daughter is unable to attend the package chosen, please contact Helen Reddy (enrichmentweek@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk) to discuss. If another student can fill your son/daughter's place, then a full refund will be made by the College.

How to Pay

1. ParentPay must be used to sign up all students for Enrichment Week
2. Select a package (subject to availability)
3. Follow the schedule of payment outlined in the overview on the College website
4. Return Slip – return the attached slip to your son/daughter's Tutor by **Monday, 13 January 2020**. By handing in the return slip you are confirming payment of your deposit, chosen package and informing the College of any personal information that has changed since September 2019. You are also confirming your agreement with all the guidelines set out in the booklet. We also need to know about swimming ability if attending water-based activities
5. All Early Sign-Up packages will go live on parentpay from **Friday, 8 November**

Financial Assistance

Financial assistance is available for pupil premium students, with a maximum of £50 for each eligible student.

Please email **Helen Reddy** at enrichmentweek@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk to discuss the assistance. Deposits must be made for a package prior to receiving the financial support. The support will be made directly to parentpay.

