

Enrichment Week 2020

The Ardeche, Outdoor Adventurous Activities



Name:	The Ardeche, Outdoor Adventurous Activities
Package Number:	5
Date:	Saturday, 27 June – Friday, 3 July
Cost:	£625
Trip Leader:	Mr Brown
Tour Operator:	PGL
Places Available:	42 Places – Year 9 and 10 Only

Overview

An amazing opportunity awaits to travel to the South of France!

We will travel by coach and ferry to the Ardèche, with the pinnacle of the trip being the 19 mile, two day descent of the Ardeche river in '2 person' canoes, navigating the white water rapids and taking in the stunning views of the gorge. Students will also take part in Canyoning where they will jump from waterfalls and descend natural slides as well as cross the gorge on a 40ft Zip Wire! There are lots of other thrilling activities such as swimming and high ropes throughout the week along with evening entertainment!

The cost of the trip is £625. This includes all meals, travel and activities.

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.

Students will wear their own clothes throughout the trip (smart casuals) but will be asked to travel in their Ardeche T-Shirt and Hoodie which we will be providing. Students will also be required to carry an Emergency Contact Card with them when visiting local towns or villages and when in transit (provided by the College) which will contain the details of where they are staying (written in French) and teaching staff details.

Places will be allocated primarily on a first-come-first-served basis.

Overview

Travel

We will be travelling by luxury coach with two professional and experienced drivers. The coach stays with us throughout our tour and is available for our use.

Accommodation

6 person cabins and a bivouac camp between the two day canoeing descent of the Ardeche.

Insurance

Comprehensive travel insurance, including that for medical emergency, is provided by PGL.

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What is included in the price?

- Return travel by luxury coach
- Full 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	£125.00
By Monday, 3 February 2020	£125.00
By Monday, 2 March 2020	£125.00
By Monday, 6 April 2020	£100.00
By Monday, 4 May 2020	£100.00

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.

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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.

