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Dear Parents/Carers

Barcelona Trip Tuesday 13th July- Friday 16th July 2027

Following a successful appointment of a new Head of MFL, from September we will be offering Spanish to KS3 students. KS4 will continue with French if they have chosen it as an option.

Therefore, we are delighted to announce our **Spanish Cultural Trip to Barcelona**, an exciting four-day experience designed especially for our students. This trip offers a fantastic opportunity to bring language learning to life by exploring one of Europe's most vibrant and historic cities, while experiencing Spanish culture, architecture, food and traditions firsthand.

Throughout the visit, students will have the chance to practise their Spanish in authentic situations, discover world-famous landmarks and create unforgettable memories with their classmates.

Itinerary

Day 1 – 13th July 2027

Our adventure begins with an early morning coach journey to Bristol Airport before flying to Barcelona. On arrival, we will transfer to our accommodation and, after checking in, students will have time to purchase lunch.

In the afternoon, we will explore the heart of Barcelona by following a self-guided cultural trail, taking in many of the city's famous sights. There will also be an opportunity to experience the lively atmosphere of **Las Ramblas** and visit the colourful **La Boqueria Market**, where students can discover traditional Spanish produce and local specialities.

The day will end with a delicious evening meal at a local restaurant.

Day 2 – 14th July 2027

After breakfast, we will visit one of the world's most spectacular buildings, the **Sagrada Família**, Antoni Gaudí's iconic basilica and one of Spain's greatest architectural masterpieces.

Following free time for lunch, we will spend the afternoon exploring **Parc Güell**, another of Gaudí's imaginative creations, famous for its colourful mosaics, unique architecture and breathtaking views across Barcelona.

Students will also enjoy some free time for independent sightseeing before another evening meal at a local restaurant.

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Day 3 – 15th July 2027

Following breakfast, we will travel to the legendary **Camp Nou**, home of FC Barcelona, where students will explore the stadium and learn about one of the world's most famous football clubs.

After lunch, we will visit **Poble Espanyol**, an open-air museum showcasing the architecture, traditions and craftsmanship of Spain's different regions. As part of the visit, students will enjoy authentic Spanish **churros**.

If time permits, we will also visit **Montjuïc**, offering beautiful views over Barcelona and the Mediterranean coastline.

Our final evening in Barcelona will be celebrated with another meal at a local restaurant.

Day 4 – 16th July 2027

After breakfast, we will check out of our accommodation and travel to Barcelona Airport for our return flight to Bristol. A coach will then take us back to school, bringing an unforgettable cultural experience to a close.

Educational Benefits

This trip has been carefully planned to support students' learning by:

- Developing confidence in using Spanish in real-life situations.
- Experiencing Spanish culture, traditions and cuisine.
- Exploring world-famous examples of Spanish art and architecture.
- Building independence, resilience and teamwork.
- Creating lasting memories with friends and teachers.

We are incredibly excited to offer this opportunity and are confident it will be an enjoyable, educational and memorable experience for everyone involved. Barcelona is a city full of history, creativity and culture, making it the perfect destination for our Spanish Cultural Trip.

We look forward to sharing this exciting adventure with our students!

This trip is open to students in current Years 7 & 8. The cost is based on 35 students attending and will be on a first come, first served basis of the deposit payment being received.

The cost is £889, this does not include spending money or money for lunches, but everything else is included. To secure a place the travel company is requesting a deposit of £250 per person. This offer is now on Parentmail, and will remain open until all spaces are filled.

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The remaining payment schedule will be as follows;

1st October 2026	£139
1st November 2026	£125
1st February 2027	£125
1st March 2027	£125
1st April 2027	£125

Please complete the form here and pay the deposit to secure your child's place.

As with all trips we reserve the right to withdraw a student from the trip on the grounds of their behaviour and conduct in the time leading up to the trip. Anyone considered a safety risk may not be permitted to attend. Please note that once payments are received they may not be refunded.

Yours faithfully

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Operations Officer