

# Act justly, love tenderly, walk humbly with your God

Dear Parent/Guardian,

We're very pleased to inform you that St. Anne's Sixth Form is organising a trip to the Christmas markets in Aachen, Germany; Valkenburg, Holland and Bruges, Belgium for year 12 & year 13 students, leaving on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December for 3 days.

The trip to Aachen will offer many exciting opportunities and experiences designed to reinforce further learning in a fun environment.

Trip Details	
Destination:	Aachen, Valkenburg & Bruges
Dates:	Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> December – Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> December
Trip price:	Approximately £300
Tour inclusions:	Coach & ferry transfers
	2 nights half board in the A&O hostel Aachen Haupbtbanhof
	Entrance to Toboggan AgoGo
Proposed excursions/visits:	Mass - Saturday morning – Aachen Cathedral
Recommended spending	100 Euros
money:	
Supervision:	Supervision will be provided at a ratio of 1 adult to every 8 students.

The aim of the trip is to provide students with first-hand experience of travel, independence and responsibility that wouldn't otherwise be possible within the normal classroom environment. In addition to this, the trip will also offer opportunities to experience a new culture, form friendships and create fantastic memories, which we hope they will look back on fondly for many years to come.

## Our tour operator:

We have chosen to book our trip through Halsbury Travel, a specialist school tour operator with over 35 years' experience. Halsbury Travel are fully bonded by ABTA and all their air tours are ATOL protected, which are your guarantees that this school trip is fully financially protected.

Halsbury Travel are also Assured Members of the School Travel Forum, which means that they prioritise the health and safety of groups travelling with them. They have also been awarded the Learning Outside the Classroom Quality Badge, which shows that they are committed to offering activities that are safe and beneficial to learning. For more information on Halsbury Travel, please visit www.halsbury.com

## **Payment schedule:**

If the trip is oversubscribed, then places will be allocated by ballot

The deadline for applications is Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. You will then be informed by Wednesday 14th September by email if your daughter has been successful following the ballot.

Deposit to secure place: £125 to be received no later than 16<sup>th</sup> September 2022 on Parentpay Balance: tbc to be received no later than 8<sup>th</sup> October 2022 on Parentpay

Headteacher: Mrs E. Loveland BA (Hons). NPQH

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PLEASE NOTE: Cancellations are likely to incur charges due to the provider's booking terms and conditions.

### What to do next:

Please be aware that there are only a **limited number of places available** on the trip, please complete the reply slip below and return this to Ms Hamilton 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

Once all initial trip deposits have been received a parents' communication evening will be arranged to provide further information on the trip.

Yours sincerely,

Ms Jo Hamilton **KS5** Pastoral Manager

# Please complete the reply slip below and return it to: Ms Hamilton by 9<sup>th</sup> September 2022.

I hereby give permission for my daughter/ward to attend the educational visit to: Aachen on: 02/12/2022.

Name of child: \_\_\_\_\_\_ Class/year/tutor group: \_\_\_\_\_\_

I will fully adhere to the above payment schedules.

### **Important Post-Brexit Information**

The UK has now left the European Union and there are some changes to the rules for UK citizens travelling to the EU, Iceland, Switzerland, Norway or Liechtenstein.

#### **Passports**

On the day you travel, all UK passports must have 6 months of validity left and be less than 10 years old (even if it has 6 months or more left)\*.

\*Please note that this does not apply to Ireland – you can continue to use your passport as long as it's valid for the duration of your stay.

#### Healthcare

If you have a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) you can continue to use this until it expires. If you do not have an EHIC or it has expired, you can apply for a Global Health Insurance Card (GHIC). Please visit the NHS website for further information

I also confirm that the above named child has a valid passport, appropriate visa and an EHIC/GHIC card.

**<u>Covid</u>** - The situation is changing all the time and so could be quite different by the end of the year, but Halsbury have prepared an information page about vaccinations and travel which you can find here: https://www.halsbury.com/school-travel-resources/covid-vaccination-requirements-for-school-tripsabroad

Parent/guardian Name:	Email address:
Telephone number:	_Signature:

Date: