



3 October 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

**EDUCATIONAL VISIT TO SORRENTO, ITALY:  
THURSDAY 20 JUNE- MONDAY 24 JUNE 2024**

We are offering Year 9,10 and 12 students who study Food & Nutrition at GCSE and Level 3 an exciting opportunity to visit Sorrento on the Amalfi coast of Italy from Thursday 20 June to Monday 24 June 2024.

The focus of this visit will be on Italian cuisine and cooking techniques. Although highly beneficial, the visit does not form an essential part of the curriculum and if your son/daughter chooses not to take part, their future progress will not suffer as a result.

I will accompany the students, together with two other members of staff. We will fly with British Airways from London Heathrow Airport to Naples early on the Thursday morning and return to Heathrow Airport on the Monday evening. Each student will have a 20kg luggage allowance. UK airport transfers will be arranged from and to school, as well as all transport once we are in Italy. Accommodation will be at the Bleu Village resort, Sorrento.

We will visit the main sights in the region, including Pompeii and Vesuvius, and will take a hydrofoil to the beautiful island of Capri where we will have a full island boat tour. Students will be immersed in the food and culture of Italy and will have the opportunity to visit a working farm, sample local foods including mozzarella, and experience a gelato making demonstration. Students will have a pizza making lesson and visit a market selling local produce.

This visit is limited to 29 students and, if oversubscribed, names will be drawn at random. Students wishing to take part in this visit will have a booking made by the school on their behalf with a tour operator. All conditions of the booking will be as laid down by the tour operator; for example, payments are non-refundable once a place has been confirmed, except for cancellation due to medical reasons, supported by a doctor's letter, or on compassionate grounds.

**The cost of the visit will be £859.00** based on 29 students attending. This includes all travel, full board accommodation (breakfast, packed lunch, and dinner), all excursions, lessons/workshops, and school journey insurance. The cost does not include the cost of a passport, meals en-route (breakfast and lunch on the outward journey, and dinner on the return journey) and pocket money. In addition, Air Passenger Duty of £13 and Tourist Tax of €4 will be payable by all students aged 16 and over on 20 June 2024. This will be collected separately before departure.

We do not wish to exclude any student from the visit; however, without financial support from parents, the visit would not go ahead. If you are concerned about payment, please contact us and we may be able to direct you to agencies which might be able to support you.

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All students must be in possession of a valid passport for travel to the EU and a valid EHIC/GHIC (European/Global Health Insurance Card – apply online [here](#)). If your son/daughter does not hold a current passport, please apply for one in good time. Passports must have validity of at least 3 months beyond our return date of 24 June. If students do not have a British or EU passport, you must check if they need a visa and apply as soon as possible.

For your son/daughter to be considered for a place on the visit, we will require a **deposit of £150 by Monday 16 October** through ParentPay. Please would you also complete the slip below and return it to the finance office by Monday 16 October.

The balance will be payable in monthly instalments as follows:

By 1 November 2023	£150	By 1 February 2024	£115
By 1 December 2023	£110	By 1 March 2024	£115
By 1 January 2024	£110	By 1 April 2024	£109

**Please note:** By accepting a place on this visit, you are committing to making all instalment payments by the due dates. Failure to do so will jeopardise your son/daughter's place and the full cost of the visit will still be payable unless another student can be found to fill the place.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours faithfully

**S Watts**

Subject Leader for Food & Nutrition  
Visit Group Leader

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### EDUCATIONAL HISTORY VISIT TO SORRENTO, ITALY: 20-24 JUNE 2024

Student's name..... Form.....

My son/daughter wishes to take part in this visit. He/She holds or will hold a valid passport for travel to the EU (please enter details below, if known)

I have paid the deposit of £150 on ParentPay and agree to pay the balance by the due dates.

Full name on passport..... Date of Birth.....

Passport number..... Nationality.....

Issued on (date)..... Expiry.....

Signed..... (Parent/Carer) Date.....