



ST. AIDAN'S

CHURCH OF ENGLAND HIGH SCHOOL

September 2022

Dear Parent / Carer

Year 11 Ardeche / Mediterranean Adventure Holiday 2023

Trip 1 – Friday 7 July 2023 to Friday 14 July 2023 / Trip 2 – Friday 14 July 2023 to Friday 21 July 2023

Further to my previous letter in June, the next instalment payment for the Ardeche trip is due by 30 September 2022 and should be paid via your ParentPay account. Thank you if you have already made this payment or if you have a different payment schedule organised with St Aidan's, then the request is for information only.

You will receive additional reminder emails in November 2022 and March 2023 for the final two payments and I will provide additional information as it becomes available from the tour operator.

A reminder of the remaining payment dates is below:

- 3rd Payment £200.00 by Friday 30 September 2022
- 4th Payment £200.00 by Friday 25 November 2022
- 5th Payment £210.00 (approx.) by Friday 3 March 2023

The next stage of planning is to decide which week your child wishes to travel to the Ardeche. Whilst we cannot guarantee we can accommodate every request, we will do our best to keep friendship groups together where possible. The tents can sleep up to four students and these will be organised whilst travelling to the Ardeche. Please click on the link below and complete the information for your son/daughter by **Friday 30 September 2022**; if we do not receive it by this date, we will have to allocate your child to one of the trips.

[ARDECHE 2023 - Week & Friendship Choice](#)

Students must travel on **their own passports**. The basic guidance on GOV.UK advises that if individuals have less than six months left on their passport from the **DATE OF ISSUE** prior to travelling, the passport will need to be renewed. Please remember that children's passports are only valid for 5 years. I therefore urge you to check your son/daughter's passport now. If your son/daughter holds a passport other than one issued by the UK Passport Agency, it is your responsibility to check if you require a visa to travel to France.

Students are covered by our school travel insurance however we recommend they take their EHIC card if it is still in date, or apply for a new GHIC card [here](#).

If you have any queries about this trip, please do not hesitate to contact me at t.mcdonald@staidans.co.uk.

Regards

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