



HEDINGHAM SCHOOL
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5 July 2023

Dear Parent/Guardian

Ardeche Trip, Sunday 28 July 2024 – Sunday 4 August 2024

Following the huge success of previous water sports holidays, another trip has been arranged through PGL Holidays for next summer, in Ardeche, France, leaving on Sunday 28 July 2024 and returning Sunday 4 August 2024.

This is a fantastic opportunity for students as they will visit a number of iconic landmarks and will get the chance to challenge themselves outside their comfort zone by participating in activities like canoeing, canyoning and high ropes. We have been offered an excellent package from PGL who have years of experience in organising school trips.

We have been very lucky to be offered the cabins at PGL's Segries site in Ardeche. The price of the trip is £854.50 and includes the following transport, hotel, visits and meals:

- **Ferry** - Ferry from Dover to Calais (return)
- **Accommodation** - Cabins in Segries
- **Coach** - Travel to and from Ardeche and any visits whilst out there
- **Food and Drink** - 3 meals provided each day, these include pastries and fresh fruit (Any allergies will be catered for)
- **Activities -**
 - High ropes
 - Canyoning
 - Canoeing
 - Archery Tag
 - Swimming
- **Visits**
 - Vallon (High Ropes)
 - Canyon de Besorgues (Canyoning)
 - Aigues Mortes (Fortified city visit)
 - Le Grau du Roi
 - Ardeche River (Canoeing)

Not included in the price:

- Any snacks or drinks from the on-site shop

I am sure that the trip will prove to be extremely popular. However, the trip has a maximum number of 40 student places. If you would like your son/daughter to join this exciting trip I would ask that you fill in the electronic form below, by 15.15 on Friday 7 July 2023.

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=qPr373A2jEmt6YBaKt_TTwQ5gnkIjSVLjDHeOcw_OaJUMERLRUEwRlVWMkIXTkW3WVVEUIQ4TDRWQS4u

If the trip is oversubscribed, successful students will be randomly selected via a draw. If your son/daughter is chosen from the draw the following deposits will be required:

- £120 non-refundable deposit by ParentPay – required once you have received a place on the trip. Deadline for this will be Friday 14 July 2023.
- A further £120 non-refundable deposit by ParentPay required by Monday 28 August 2023.
- The final balance of £584.50 will then be paid over regular, manageable instalments over the next 8 months by ParentPay.
- A plan will be sent out to all students who successfully gained a place on the trip shortly after the first deposit payment.

Please be aware that once a student has committed to the trip and paid the initial deposit, it is non-refundable.

If a student drops out of the trip at a later date, the following amounts will be charged:

Cancellation Date	Please inform us by (this may be more than stated days due to school holidays, and the time it takes for the company to process the refund)	Cancellation charge
19 May 2024	10 May 2024	any deposits paid will be retained
19 May – 24 June 2024	17 June 2024	60% of the full course cost will be retained
30 June - 13 July 2024	8 July 2024	80% of the full course cost will be retained
From 14 July 2024	12 July 2024	100% of the full course cost will be retained

Please also note that the school reserves the right to refuse or withdraw a place to any student whose behaviour or attitude could pose a threat to the safety or security of the holiday.

Yours sincerely



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