

## The Crossley Heath School

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## Dear Parent/Carer

The German and French Departments are proposing to run a trip to Berlin, Germany and Normandy in Northern France in week commencing 10 June 2024. The trip is 5 days with a lot of travelling and early starts. The students will be expected to do some language work on the trip and need to appreciate that this is not a holiday.

Although the trips are not compulsory, they are valuable for the study of the German and French languages, allowing students to practise their speaking and listening skills and gain an insight into a different culture. A detailed itinerary of the tour is still being developed and will include lots of interesting and varied activities. The outline cost of the trips is approximately £589, for the German trip and £495 for the French trip, dependant on student numbers. The German trip is slightly more expensive due to having to fly to Berlin to reduce travel time. Should you wish your child to experience one of these trips, we request that you make a voluntary contribution of £589 (Germany) or £495 (France). If insufficient contributions are received, or if interest is low, the trip will not be able to take place.

Financial support may be available for children who are eligible for free school meals (FSM) or who are not eligible for FSM but are experiencing financial difficulty. If you would like to apply for assistance in confidence, then please contact the Finance office at [payments@crossleyheath.org.uk].

We need to pay an initial deposit of £120 (Germany) or £100 (France) per child to secure this booking by 20<sup>TH</sup> November 2023. All deposits for these trips should be paid by this date please through the ParentPay facility. Log on to www.parentpay.com and click on the Trip Heading either French Trip 2024 or German Trip 2024. Please note that by paying a deposit, you are committing to paying for the trip in full as the school will be committed to paying for all places booked with tour operators. The payment schedule is as follows:

## Berlin, Germany

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Payment Amount	Deadline
Deposit £120	20 November 2023
£160	29 January 2024
£150	26 February 2024
£159	1 March 2024

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## Normandy, France

Payment Amount	Deadline
Deposit £100	20 November 2023
£135	29 January 2024
£130	26 February 2024
£130	18 March 2024

Participation in either visit is conditional upon satisfactory behaviour during the period leading up to the visit. The school also reserves the right to withdraw a student at any time where there are particular concerns.

If you have any queries about the trips, please contact either Mrs Hazelton (German) or Mrs Cole (French).

Yours faithfully

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<u>Teacher of MFL</u> <u>Department Leader for German</u>