

## The Vale Academy

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## **22 November 2023**

Dear Parents/Carers

Re: Y8 Loire Valley - 14-17.06.24

I am pleased to be able to offer your child the opportunity to take part in the following overseas trip:

Loire Valley Country France Cost per person £550 Depart UK on 14.06.2024 Return to UK on 17.06.2024 Mode of travel coach

Included in this price is:

- Return travel from school.
- A full daily programme of activities (including visiting the city of Poitiers, the Clos Luce Leonardo Da Vinci Park and the chateau de Chenonceau).
- Full board and accommodation.
- Full comprehensive travel insurance (details available on request or enclosed).

The only additional cost will be pocket money, passport and meals en route.

The trip will be led by Mrs Giusi Perseu in conjunction with NST, a first class operator with a solid reputation for organising school trips - a reputation built up from over 60 years experience in the school travel business. All NST centres are regularly assessed by the relevant regulatory bodies within the industry and are operated to the highest standards. They are backed by ABTA membership and are ATOL licensed ensuring that all payments made are fully insured.

There are significant benefits to be had from a residential visit. It affords the opportunity for the pupils to succeed in a new challenge, enjoying the benefits of increased self confidence and the forming of new relationships, both within their peer group and the wider range of people they will meet whilst on the trip. It also offers a different cultural experience and the opportunity to develop a new awareness and sense of achievement.

In order for the trip to go ahead we would need 40 students to take part. Places will be offered on a first come first served basis including paying the initial deposit of £80 on Bromcom Payments (via the My Child At School App) by 28 November. Please note that once you are offered a place and deposits have been paid to NST these are non-refundable and terms and conditions will apply at that time.

Please pay your deposit and submit the electronic form, by 28 November:

https://forms.office.com/e/NyKwrwPvGh

Further payments are scheduled as follows:-

- 06 January 2024 £150
- 20 April 2024 £320

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. My email address is perseug2@valeacademy.org.uk.

Yours faithfully

Mrs G Perseu

Head of Department for MFL and Visit Leader