



HEDINGHAM SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM

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26 April 2018

Dear Parent/Guardian

Ardeche/Mediterranean Water Sports Holiday 2019

Following the huge success of previous water sports holidays, another trip has been arranged through PGL Holidays for next summer, leaving on Sunday, 21 July and returning Monday, 29 July 2019.

The highly popular holiday is based at two centres in the South of France – The Ardeche Valley and Mimosa on the Mediterranean coast. In the Ardeche, the students will canoe down the spectacular limestone gorge for three days, traversing rapids along the way. All canoeing takes place in small groups which allows for plenty of individual professional guidance and tuition. The activities at Mimosa can include windsurfing, sea kayaking, and snorkelling, sailing in fun boats, catamarans and a ride on the ever popular inflatable wave rider. At both PGL centres students enjoy a range of organised activities including swimming, beach games, talent shows and a disco each evening. All the equipment at the centres is of a very high standard, maintained to excellent levels, with PGL being the leading company for adventure/activity holidays in Europe, priding themselves on their safety standards.

On the day we transfer from the Ardeche to Mimosa we also spend a day at Aqualand, a large water park in Cap D'Agde, with its exciting range of white knuckle water chutes and flumes.

Accommodation is provided in en suite chalets at the Ardeche centre, and in 4 berth tents at Mimosa. The centre at the Ardeche is set in spacious wooded grounds, with a heated outdoor pool. The Mimosa site, only a few minutes' walk from the beautiful sandy beach, is equipped with modern toilet and shower blocks, along with a shop and laundry. At both centres all meals are included, consisting of a large and varied continental breakfast, packet or buffet lunch, and a hot evening meal.

Transport to the South of France is by luxury coach, with air conditioning, DVD and toilet facilities. We travel to France by ferry, crossing from Dover to Calais.

The cost of the trip is £836. This includes all tuition and daily water sports activities, evening entertainment, all necessary equipment, excursions, accommodation, meals, travel and full insurance cover. Students must have their own valid passport and any necessary visa documentation if they are not a British Citizen.

We are limited to taking a maximum of 44 students on this trip and each year there has been a lot of interest expressed in participating in the holiday. Therefore if you would like your son/daughter to take part, then please complete and return the form over the page to the Finance Office by 3.15pm on Monday, 30 April. Please do not send any form of payment at this point.

All forms received by this date will be placed in a draw, and 44 students will be selected. These successful students will be informed on Tuesday, 1 May. By returning the form and entering into the draw, you are agreeing that if your child secures a place on the trip then you will pay a £75 deposit by Thursday, 3 May by ParentPay. Depending on numbers, any students who are not successful in securing a place will automatically be placed on a reserve list.

Please 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

Mr D Sergeant
Trip Organiser

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Reply Slip – To be returned to the Finance Office by 3.15pm on Monday, 30 April 2018

Ardeche/Mediterranean Water Sports Holiday 2019 – Trip Code: 10050014

Student's Name: _____ Form: _____

- I am interested in my son/daughter participating in the Ardeche/Mediterranean Water Sports Holiday 2019
- Please include his/her name in the draw
- I understand that by returning this form I am agreeing to pay a non-refundable deposit of £75 by ParentPay by Thursday, 3 May 2018, if my child is successful in securing a place on the trip.

Signed: _____
Parent/Guardian