

28th January 2026

Dear Parent/Carer

OPTIONAL VISIT TO THE OPAL COAST, FRANCE: 11th – 16th JULY 2027

It is our aim at Chase Terrace Academy to enable all pupils to succeed and thrive. We propose to arrange a visit to The Opal Coast, France, leaving on Sunday 11th July and returning on Friday 16th July 2027. The visit is open to pupils who are currently in Year 7.

The cost of the trip is **£730** per pupil and includes the following:

- Accommodation
- Travel by coach and ferry organised by Select School Tours
- Insurance cover
- Meals in France
- Entrance fees
- Full day in Bellewaerde Theme Park

Please be aware that the first and second deposit are non-refundable and are a commitment to a place on the trip, after which full payment in line with the payment schedule listed below is required. The cost of the trip does not include spending money and meals on route.

What do I need to do if I would like my child to come on the trip?

Return the reply slip at the bottom of this letter by **Wednesday 4th February** to Mrs E Scholes, providing a valid email address (communication will be mostly via email).

At this stage, we are only asking pupils to apply for a place on the trip which may become oversubscribed. There are 42 places available.

If your child is allocated a place on the trip, you will be notified via email and the first non-refundable deposit will be required by Monday 2nd March. Please note that places are not allocated on a first come first served basis. The school reserves the right to deny a pupil access to this trip if behaviour or attendance at school are unacceptable.

Payment Scheme

Payment	Amount	Due Date
First Deposit (non-refundable)	£100 per pupil	Monday 2nd March
Second Payment (non-refundable)	£200 per pupil	Monday 27th April
1 payment per month (over 10 months)	£43	By 30 th of each month starting from 30 th May

Payments should be made via MCAS as cash payments WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED and will be returned. If you have any issues with MCAS please contact Mrs Heames-Read l.heamesread@chaseterraceacademy.co.uk who will be able to rectify this for you.

What if my child's place is cancelled?

Participants attending this visit will need to have a record of good behaviour and attendance and demonstrate that they can obey safety and other rules. Anyone whose behaviour becomes unacceptable after the trip has been booked may be excluded or required to return home early and any expenses incurred, which cannot be recovered, will be the responsibility of parents/carers.

Occasionally parents/carers decide to cancel their child's place on visits. Though everything will be done to fill this place, this isn't always possible. In this event, the reimbursement of monies is dependent on the fulfilment of the place as well as the cancellation terms of the travel company. If you do decide to cancel your child's place you must inform the school immediately. Failure to do so may result in you being charged the full amount for your child's place, irrelevant of whether they attend the visit.

To secure your child's place, inform us of necessary information and provide consent, please complete the attached form and return to **Mrs Scholes** by **Wednesday 4th February**.

Notification of medical conditions or special needs

Advance warning is needed of any participants with special medical or other needs to ensure all health and safety considerations have been made. Parents/carers must inform the school of any relevant medical or other needs on the consent form. Residential courses will require an 'Education Visit Medical Form' to be completed no more than seven days prior to the start of the visit. This must be returned during the week before the visit and no participant may join the visit unless this form has been received. Notification of dietary needs for sound medical, ethical or religious reasons must also be made.

Health and safety information

All educational visits are covered by the school's RPA insurance. Your child will be expected to be responsible enough to wear any seatbelt provided until informed that it may be released.

A parents evening will be arranged closer to the time to give more details of times, flights, itinerary and other information. If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Finally, can I take this opportunity to thank you for agreeing to allow your child to attend the fieldtrip to this amazing place. It will be the highlight of their time here at Chase Terrace Academy and they will have a truly remarkable time.

Yours faithfully

Mrs E Scholes
Trip Leader

PARENTAL CONSENT

Forms should be returned to **Mrs Scholes** by **Wednesday 4th February 2026** and an initial non-refundable deposit paid via MCAS by no later than **Monday 2nd March 2026**.

Trip: The Opal Coast, France

Date: 11th – 16th July 2027.

I wish to confirm a place for my child
tutor Group to take part in the French trip to the Opal Coast.

Medical/dietary details - My child has the following medical or dietary needs

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I understand that:

- I must declare on this form any medical conditions which might affect my child whilst away.
- The payment schedule as detailed in the letter.
- That anyone whose behaviour becomes unacceptable after the trip has been booked may be removed from the trip.
- That an initial non-refundable deposit of **£100** will need to be paid via "MCAS" by **2nd March 2026**

Name:

Signed:

Date:.....

(Person with Parental Responsibility)

Email:

Photographs/Social Media. I give consent for photographs and film to be taken and used in school or education service promotional materials, including on the school website, Facebook, and Instagram. I also give consent for third parties to use these images and videos for their own promotional purposes.

Yes No (please circle)

Please return this slip by Wednesday 4th February