



# BROOKVALE GROBY LEARNING CAMPUS

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Dear Parent/Carer

## 5 DAY RESIDENTIAL TRIP TO NORMANDY: 23 – 27 SEPTEMBER 2019

For many years, the French and History Departments have organised highly successful and enjoyable residential visits to Normandy for our Year 9 students. We would like to offer this opportunity to students currently in Year 8, who will be moving into Year 9 in September 2019.

If you would like your child to take part, please complete the reply slip attached and return with your deposit by *Friday 30th November*. **The total cost is £420, subject to a minimum of 50 students participating.** We require a deposit of £80 to secure a place, which is non-refundable in any circumstance, once a place has been offered. Once a place is confirmed, if you withdraw your child from the trip for any reason, refunds will be at the discretion of the school. The balance will then be due in 4 further instalments of £85 by 25th Jan, 22nd Feb, 29th March, 26th April.

**Students will need a valid passport and EHI Card and will be unable to travel without these documents.** If the residential is over-subscribed in the first instance preference will be given, in this order, to students who have been unsuccessful in applications for other residential visits, those who have fewest behaviour points and then names will be drawn from a hat.

Payments can be made online via the Internet Payment System ([www.ParentPay.com](http://www.ParentPay.com)). If you have not used this system before details are available from reception@[brookvalegroby.com](mailto:brookvalegroby.com). An outline of the accommodation and travel details is overleaf. The focus of the visit will be English/Norman History from William the Conqueror to the WW2 Normandy Landings, to use our French speaking and reading skills in real situations plus as much French culture as we can cram in!

If you have any questions please contact Mr. Godwin [ggodwin@brookvalegroby.com](mailto:ggodwin@brookvalegroby.com) or via the school telephone number, 0116 287 9921.

Yours faithfully  
Greg Godwin

Deputy Headteacher



## **Outline of proposed activities for the 2019 visit**

Travel to and from Normandy by coach, via The Channel Tunnel.

Full board accommodation for 4 nights.

### **William the Conqueror:**

Visit to Falaise Castle – the home of William the Conqueror in his early years.

Visit to Bayeux to practise French at the market, visit the Cathedral and see the unique tapestry.

### **French culture**

Visit to the beautiful harbour town of Honfleur

Improving and using our French to interact with the locals and to describe the places we visit.

Visit to a goat farm to feed the goats and taste their organic cheese.

Village Treasure Hunt.

### **World War II**

Pegasus Bridge Museum - Scene of the first action on D-Day.

The British World War II Cemetery at Bayeux.

The 360 degree Cinema at Arromanches - to experience what D-Day was like for all those involved.

The beach at Arromanches – D-Day's "Gold Beach".

The cliff-top gun emplacements.

The German World War II Cemetery.

The American World War II Cemetery at "Omaha Beach".

Pointe du Hoc.

***In the evenings, we'll meet to review what we've done, prepare for what we'll see the next day and bond through games and competitions.***