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Music tour to Antwerp 1st - 4th July 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am delighted to announce that the Music Faculty will be running a concert tour to Antwerp in Belgium in the summer of 2023. This will involve students from the Jazz Band and Show Choir. The tour has been arranged by a specialist music tour company. They will arrange and publicise our concerts and provide a tour representative that will support the setting up of our three concerts.

The cost of the trip includes travel by coach and ferry or the Euro Tunnel depending on availability and three nights accommodation. The cost is £535 which includes full-board accommodation and all travel. This is spread over three payments: a non-refundable deposit of £150, a first instalment of £195 on 10th January 2023 and a final payment of £190 on 16th March 2023.

If your child would like to be involved in this exciting project, please make your deposit payment of £150 via ParentPay by **21**st **November 2022.** We only have 60 places available so if the number of students applying exceeds the trip's capacity, names will be drawn at random to allocate places. If your child is not successful in gaining a place then the deposit will be refunded. If there are students on a waiting list we will review this if a member of an ensemble has not been regularly attending rehearsals.

The students will be staying centrally in the lovely town of Antwerp and will be performing at a number of venues. Once we have confirmed the students on the trip, the tour company will send out the exact schedule and the concert venues.

Please note that by making your deposit payment you are undertaking to make full payment by the given deadlines. Our tour operator, Club Europe Group Travel, does not differ from other tour companies with regard to cancellations and cancellation fees will apply. Therefore, should you decide to remove your child from the trip, all payments we have made to the tour operator will not be refunded unless we are able to fill the place with another student.

As with all visits, it is important to stress that student participation on this trip is subject to their good conduct in school and if your child is removed from this trip due to their conduct, any monies paid to date may not be refunded.



















We will hold a tour meeting in the summer term to discuss all aspects of the trip in more detail. I am sure you will agree that this will be a fantastic performance opportunity for our musicians.

Yours sincerely,

Emma Beaton Director of Learning: Music