



# Sandbach High School

and Sixth Form College

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January 2020

## WATER SPORTS HOLIDAY - SOUTH OF FRANCE 2021

Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of the school's extra curriculum programme I am pleased to offer your son/daughter the opportunity to enjoy a week long water sports holiday during the school Activities Week in July 2021. The trip is open to all pupils from Year 7 right up to Year 12. Having enjoyed very successful trips to France, Italy and Spain in recent years I have decided to book an exciting new package based in the Ardeche region in the South of France. The information below gives an outline of the package that is available.

### Date & Destination

The trip departs on Friday 9 July 2021, and returns on Saturday 17 July. We will stay at the idyllic Camping Savane complex, on the banks of the Ardeche, just outside the picturesque town of Labeaume, in the South of France. We have used this site a number of times and have always enjoyed the swimming pool and peaceful location. Accommodation will be on a full board basis in 4 bed continental tents.

### Purpose Of The Trip

It is hoped that this trip will give your son/daughter an introduction to some exciting water sports and outdoor activities and in the past this has inspired many of our students to pursue these activities in their own time.

### Planned Activities

The timetable below is a sample of a typical week with a variety of thrilling water sports, and a full programme of evening entertainments.

**Day 1:** Travel to centre **Day 2:** Arrive Savane settle in and relax by the pool **Day 3:** Kayaking, Mission Impossible, Archery. **Day 4:** Raft Building, Climbing, Bouldering **Day 5:** First half of the Ardeche river descent plus overnight bivouac **Day 6:** Day 2 of river descent. **Day 7:** Excursion Day **Day 8:** Town Trail and Pool Games, and evening departure **Day 9:** Arrive back in the UK

### Travel Arrangements

Travel will be by luxury coach, with an option to cross the channel by ferry or Le Shuttle.

### Cost

The cost will be **£752** which is payable in instalments over the next year. However, in the unlikely event of our group size falling below 40 students the cost will increase slightly. This trip is not covered by the Pupil Premium scheme, and as such the Academy is unable to offer any financial assistance.



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## Booking Procedure

To allow everyone a fair opportunity of gaining a place, and to allow parents to consider the trip carefully the places allocation procedure is set out below.

If you would like your son/daughter to participate in this trip, please complete and return the permission slip overleaf to the Finance Office by Friday 31 January. All pupils returning their consent forms and £100 deposit on or before Friday 31 January will have an equal chance of securing a place on this trip. If the trip is over-subscribed by the close of business on 31 January then all consent forms returned by that day will be entered into a draw in order to allocate places. If your son/daughter is unsuccessful in obtaining a place on this trip, a full refund of your deposit will be given either by cheque or via your Parent Pay account. In the event of some places being left available at the end of 31 January then places will continue to be allocated on a first come first served basis until all places have been allocated.

## Cancellation Policy

The £100 deposit is non-refundable. Any cancellation after 29 March 2020 will incur a charge of £200. Cancellations within 6 months of the departure date will be charged at 50 % of the total cost. Any cancellation within 10 weeks of departure will be charged at full cost. This cancellation policy is non-negotiable. Where the full balance has not been received within two weeks of the trip the College reserves the right to cancel the place and retain any monies required to cover costs.

Please remember that a place on any school trip is subject to your son / daughter's continued good behaviour. In exceptional circumstances a place on a trip may be withdrawn, in which case any monies paid will be refunded in full. If you have any further queries regarding this trip please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely

**Mr A S Leonard**  
**Sixth Form Life Choices Co-ordinator**

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I give permission for my son / daughter

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to take part in the above named trip. I agree to abide by the terms of the cancellation policy currently operated by the school, as detailed in the attached letter.

I enclose a payment of ..... I have paid ..... by Parent Pay

Signed.....Date .....

Please return the above slip to the Finance Office by Friday 31 January



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