



# PRESDALES SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians

We are pleased to be able to offer your daughter the opportunity to take part in a 4 day trip to Düsseldorf and Cologne in December this year.

The purpose of this visit is a cultural and linguistic one. We want pupils to experience life in an historical German city, enjoy the magical and traditional Christmas market as well as practice the language learnt in class.

The trip will take place from 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> December 2019. The provisional programme is as follows. We will travel in the daytime by executive coach on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> December, arriving in Düsseldorf about 4 pm. We will then have the chance of a stroll around the Christmas market, before checking in at our youth hostel. The following day we plan to visit the city of Cologne where we will visit the Lindt Chocolate Museum, take a boat trip on the River Rhine and have free time at the Christmas Market surrounding the magnificent cathedral. In the evening we will go swimming or bowling. On Friday we will be spending the day at the famous European theme park 'Phantasialand' which has an exciting winter programme. On Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December, we will spend the morning exploring the old town of Düsseldorf for final shopping and viewing the town from above in the TV Tower and then travel home.

We are requesting a voluntary contribution of £385 in order for the trip to go ahead. This includes all transport costs in an executive coach with a toilet, tunnel crossings, travel and medical insurance and full board in youth hostel accommodation, guided tours and all entrance fees including to the Phantasialand theme park. Your daughter will need a little spending money but I am leaving this to your discretion.

We hope that as many pupils as possible will be able to take part but I have reserved 40 places for the moment. There will be a minimum of 1-10 staff-pupil ratio. Please note that your daughter will also need **her own passport** and an **EHIC**.

If you would like your daughter to participate, please fill in the attached form and return it with the deposit of £70, either as an online debit or credit card payment through the wise pay payment portal accessible through a link on the school's website, a cheque made payable to Presdales school or cash in a sealed envelope addressed to Mrs L Eyre (Düsseldorf trip) by Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2019 as we have a provisional booking with the travel company which must be confirmed. A second payment of £250 will need to be paid by Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and the final payment of £65 by Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019. If you have a problem with the initial payment, please contact me in school and I will do my best to help.

I will be holding a parents' information evening nearer the time and will be able to give you a more detailed itinerary.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M Yates

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