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Dear Parent/Guardian

Following on from the huge success of our recent trip to Vienna, the Music department has planned another exciting residential performing experience for the summer of 2020. This thrilling opportunity consists of a trip to Belgium from July 4th to July 8th 2020. It will include three concerts at venues around the area as well as a visit and audio tour of the Musical Instrument Museum in Brussels, a trip to the Menin Gate and the Last Post Ceremony, a day trip to Bruges and its chocolate factory, and other excursions in and around the area. In addition, our hotel is a short walk from the beautiful sandy beach at Blankenberge. The trip will be open to pupils from all years who attend Choir, Orchestra or Jazz Band.

The cost of the tour includes:

- Coach and ferry travel to and from Belgium
- 4 nights Full Board at Hotel Sabot d'Or
- Visit to Bruges
- Visit to Choco-Story
- Visit to Musical Instrument Museum Including Audio Guide
- Visit to Menin Gate & the Last Post Ceremony
- Visit to 'In Flanders Fields' Museum
- 3 x Organisation of concerts
- Performance - Ypres Market Square (Subject to availability)
- A tour Polo shirt for performances

The cost of the tour will be £525. This price is based upon 40 pupils attending. We anticipate this will be a very popular trip, therefore places will be allocated on a 'first-come first-served' basis. If you would like to reserve a place for your child please will you let us know as soon as possible by returning the slip below, along with a deposit of £50, either by cheque (returned to me with your child's name and the trip no. 2258 on the reverse) or BACS payment (Ref. Music Belgium Tour - Trip no. 2258) to the following account details:

Acc. no. 82689111 Sort code: 40-18-17

Once places are confirmed, there will be an interim payment of £90 due by 20th November 2019, and the balance will then be payable in instalments split across the Lent and Trinity term bills. If you would rather set a different payment schedule, please let me know, bearing in mind that the final balance will be due by 25th April 2020.

As this is a performance tour, pupils coming on the trip will be expected to have good attendance at their ensemble's rehearsals. There may also be a couple of extra rehearsals organised with dates to be confirmed.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the trip, please feel free to contact me at the College.

Yours sincerely



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Music tour to Belgium – July 4th- 8th 2020 – Permission slip

Pupil Name: Tutor Group:

Instrument/Voice: Ensemble(s):

Year Group:

Please tick one of the following options for the deposit

I enclose a deposit of £50 by cheque

I have made a payment of £50 via BACS

I wish to reserve a place for my son/daughter on this trip. I enclose a cheque made payable to Princethorpe College for the sum of £50, and am aware that an interim payment of £90 is due by 20th November 2019.

Name

Signature