



Tadcaster Grammar School



German Christmas Markets Visit

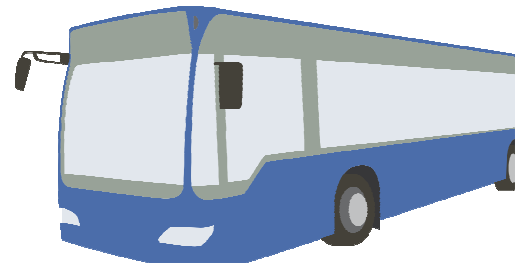
Cologne, Germany

28 November - 1 December 2018



Information Booklet

Travel Details and Itinerary



Wednesday 28 November: Meet in the School Bus Park at 23:30 hrs

Outbound: Thursday 29 November

00:01 hrs: Depart from Tadcaster Grammar School

06:50 hrs: Check in at Eurotunnel Terminal, Folkestone

07:50 hrs: Depart Folkestone

09:25 hrs: Arrive at Calais (Local time) and continue the journey to Cologne

15:30 hrs: Anticipated arrival into Cologne. Free time to explore the Christmas Markets

18:00 hrs: Re-join the coach

18:30 hrs: Arrive at hostel

19:00 hrs: Evening meal

Friday 30 November

Breakfast at hostel

Christmas Markets visit

Phantasialand Theme Park

Inbound: Saturday 1 December

07:30 hrs: Breakfast

08:50 hrs: Depart for Calais

14:40 hrs: Check in at Eurotunnel Terminal, Calais

16:20 hrs: Depart Calais

15:55 hrs: Arrival at Eurotunnel Terminal, Folkestone (Local time)

23:00 hrs: Anticipated arrival at school

What To Bring

- Passport
- Euros/Sterling
- Medication
- Electrical adaptor for EU
- Camera
- Rain jacket
- Warm clothes/hat/scarf/gloves
- Toiletries
- Sensible shoes



Luggage

Each person has an allowance of one bag/suitcase for the hold in the coach plus one piece of hand luggage.

Currency

The currency in Germany is the Euro. Students may require sterling at the UK service stations and the tunnel terminals. It is recommended that students take approximately £20 in sterling and 50 euros, however this is just a guideline. All students must take responsibility for their own money.

Culture

Visiting a different country is a rewarding and exciting experience and students are expected to respect the cultural differences.

Medication

If you take any medication, this must be handed to Mrs Carroll in the Bus Park. Please label it clearly with a name, purpose and how often and when it is to be taken. If you suffer from travel sickness, please take your medication in sufficient time for it to be effective during any journey. During the visit, in exceptional circumstances, paracetamol can be provided to students for pain relief. **If you do not wish paracetamol to be given to your son/daughter, please let me know in writing before departure.**

Food

The accommodation is full board and a packed lunch will be provided when we our out on activities.

Mobile Phones/Valuables

If you have to bring anything of value (e.g. mobile phone, camera etc.) please take extreme care of it. Students may be asked not to use mobile phones at specific times as instructed by members of staff. The cost of making and receiving calls in Germany is more expensive than in the UK.

ID Cards

Students will be provided with an Identification Card. This will provide details of the accommodation's address and telephone number as well as the emergency contact number for the visit. **Students must carry this at all times in case of an emergency.**

Passports

Do not forget your passport. This must be handed in to Mr Power in the bus Park before departure.

EHIC

Do not forget your EHIC card. This must be handed in to Ms Davies in the bus Park before departure.

Health and Safety

It is essential that students listen carefully to instructions. Information and instructions are given for the safety of everyone and must be adhered to at all times.

Head Counts

Students will be allocated a 'head count' group. This will be used frequently during the visit.

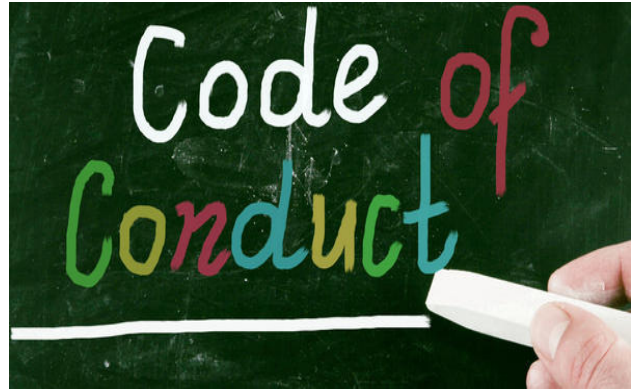
Insurance

We are covered under NST insurance policy.

Contact Whilst On Visit

I shall remind students to contact parents upon arrival and they will have opportunities to contact home during the stay.

Code of Conduct



The Christmas Markets Trip should be positive, enjoyable and rewarding. The following conduct is expected throughout the visit:

- Follow instructions at all times
- Rooms to be kept clean and tidy
- No noisy or disruptive behaviour in the accommodation - we will not be the only people staying in the hostel.
- Be punctual at all times
- No drinking, smoking, taking illegal substances etc.

In the circumstance when the code of conduct is broken, students may be withdrawn from the itinerary.

Contact Details



Accommodation

Hostel Koeln
Marsilistein 29
Cologne
50676
Tel: 00 49 221 998 7760

Prior To Departure

Miss Helliwell at Tadcaster Grammar School
Tel: 01937 833466

During The Tour

Mr Dunphy
Tel: 07973 108545

Please do not telephone the hostel except in the case of an emergency. To pass on important information, please contact Mr Dunphy who will contact Miss Helliwell.

Useful Websites

Cologne Christmas Markets
[http://www.germany-christmas-market.org.uk/
cologne_christmas_market.php](http://www.germany-christmas-market.org.uk/cologne_christmas_market.php)

Phantasialand
<http://www.phantasialand.de/en/>

Cologne Chocolate Museum
<http://www.chocolatemuseum-cologne.com/>

