

GROBY COMMUNITY COLLEGE

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Principal: Robert Coles

Our ref: HA/GE2015
17 September 2014
Dear Parents/Carers

Re: German Language and Culture Trip – Monday 23rd February 2015 ⇒ Friday 27th February 2015

The best way to learn a language is in the country! With this in mind, the college is proud to be able to offer students of German the chance to visit some of the cultural highlights of Germany. The trip will boost the students' language confidence as well as broaden their awareness of international issues. They will have the chance to really use their German in "real-life" situations.

The trip will include the following:

- > Flights with scheduled airlines and all applicable flight taxes
- Coach to and from the UK airport
- Transfers within country
- > Full Medical and Travel Insurance Cover (exclusions may apply)
- 4 nights <u>half</u> board accommodation based on multi-bedded rooms students will <u>not</u> be roomed in mixed sex dormitories. (Breakfast, drink and packed lunch provided each day)
- Evening meals (budgeted at £10 per person/per night) to be eaten at local cafes/restaurants
- 2 pre-paid evening entertainments with transport (Swimming/Bowling)
- > A day in a typical German school with partner (to be arranged and contacted before trip)
- > Trip to Berlin, including guided tour of The Reichstag (German Parliament), Checkpoint Charlie Museum, Höhenschönhausen Stasi Prison
- Trip to Hamburg, including harbour tour and shopping opportunities
- Trip to the Volkswagen Factory with guided tour and experience package

The total cost of the trip is a provisional £550 (with flight prices being correct at the time of print). Places will be limited to 20 students on a first come, first served basis, but we will run a reserve list if necessary. Post 16 students of German will be offered places automatically.

Students will need to hold a <u>valid passport</u> in their own name with an expiry date of at least August 2015 or later. It will also be essential for all students to have a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) which can be obtained free of charge from the internet.

If you would like your son/daughter to go on this trip, then please complete the slip below and attached medical form and return it to the College office on or before 17th October 2014 along with a non-returnable deposit of £150.

Payments should be made online, using a debit or credit card, by logging on to www.ParentPay.com in exceptions, we can take cash or cheque payments which should be submitted via the Reception office please. (Cheques are payable to "Groby Community College"). The final balance due to be paid on or before 9th January 2015.

Yours faithfully



Amelia Hammond

German Teacher/Trip Leader

Germany Language and Culture Trip 2015 REPLY SLIP

Name of student	Year	Tutor Group
Signed	Date	

I would like my son/daughter to go on the Germany 2015 trip. I enclose a £150 non-returnable deposit.