

## THE ECCLESBOURNE SCHOOL

'Learning Together For The Future'

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Dear Parents/Carers

## TRIP 349 number DENMARK/UK EXCHANGE 2022

We are, once again, planning the **Danish Exchange Trip**, which is now celebrating its 40<sup>th</sup> successful year as an Ecclesbourne Experience! The exchange is aimed at any student in years 7 to 10 and involves us spending six days in the seaside resort of Kokkedal, which is twenty miles outside of the capital of Copenhagen. The exchange runs from Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> May until Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2022.

The Danish students, who will have hosted our students, will return for six days to Ecclesbourne, in the middle of September 2022 and we expect that the majority of our students will want to host.

We will fly from Manchester to Kastrup airport, Copenhagen and all students will be placed with Danish families who have children between the ages of thirteen to fourteen. During the trip students spend the day with each other and the teachers, immersing themselves in Danish culture and visiting an array of interesting places, including the zoo, the science museum and Hamlet's castle in Helsingør. The evenings and part of the weekend will be spent with their hosts.

The total cost of the trip will be approximately £500 but this is subject to change due to any new Government taxes on flights. It will cover return flights, the coach to the Airport and back, all transport whilst in Denmark, insurance costs and the entrance fees of any places we visit.

All food whilst we are there will be provided by the host family, but we suggest students take approximately £60 spending money to cover souvenirs and general pocket money.

The number of places available on this trip is limited and therefore places will be allocated to eligible students. Should the trip be oversubscribed, students will be given priority for a place in the following order:

- 1. Students who have been <u>unsuccessful</u> in gaining a place on a previous trip within the same school (Lower/Upper);
- 2. Students who have not previously been on a <u>residential</u> trip whilst in their current school (Lower/Upper);
- 3. All other students who have expressed a wish to partake in this Exchange visit.

If you would like your child to take part in this event, please complete and return the reply slip below by 10<sup>th</sup> December 2021. If your child is successful in gaining a place, you will receive a letter notifying you that an account has been set up on ParentPay. Payment for this trip should be made online via the ParentPay system. However, if you have opted to use the PayPoint system you will be issued with a letter containing the appropriate barcode, which will enable you to pay by cash at any local store participating in the PayPoint method.

Once your child has had their confirmation of place, a non-refundable deposit of £250 will be required by 17th December, with the remaining balance paid in one further instalment in late March.

New Government safeguarding measures came into force in September 2018, which requires host families to have a DBS check, this is not an onerous task and the school will undertake the checks. A detailed information sheet will be sent out later.

In the interests of legality, safety and the school's reputation in matters of propriety, any student who attempts to consume alcohol, to smoke or to engage in the abuse of other substances, may be sent home at their parents' expense to await a full investigation by the school, which could result in serious disciplinary action. (NB: No child would be sent home without first contacting the parents/carers concerned and reaching agreement that the transport arrangements were appropriate). When paying for the trip via Parent Pay you will be prompted to tick a box to indicate that you signify your acceptance of these conditions and are willing to impress upon your children the consequences of not complying with these rules.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss any matters in further detail, then please do not hesitate to contact me on the office number 01332 843267.

Yours sincerely

Larna Mooney Leader Julie Hayes Deputy Leader

Julie A. Hayes

John Minton

Trip Liaison Officer

## Reply Slip TRIP No 349 DENMARK/UK EXCHANGE 2022

## Please complete and return this slip to Miss Mooney or Mr Minton by Friday10th December 2021

I wish my daughter/son to join the party visiting Denmark in May 2022 and, if successful, accept the conditions stated in the letter and agree to make payments via ParentPay / PayPoint.

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