



St John Fisher Catholic High School

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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Year 8 (Current Year 7) Sports Tour to Bella Italia Village, Lignano Sabbiadoro, Italy

Saturday 13th April – Friday 19th April 2019

We are delighted to offer your son/daughter an opportunity to partake in the PE Department Sports Tour to Italy in 2019.

This will be a fabulous experience for your child to compete in the Italian Sports Festival, receive professional coaching, all whilst using the international standard sports facilities. Students will also have the chance to immerse themselves in the local culture and enjoy the wonderful surroundings, including the blue flag beach and waterpark situated in the resort.

We have organised a packed itinerary, which you can find attached, with plenty of extra activities to keep everyone occupied. The Bella Italia efa Village is a self-contained sports resort ensuring the best possible facilities for your son / daughter to enjoy, whilst still having the opportunity to compete in either football (boys / girls) or netball (girls).

The trip will also include:

- Return executive coach travel
- Return ferry crossings
- 4 Nights Full board accommodation at the Bella Italia Village, Lignano, Italy
- Assistance in the resort from Activ 4 (Tour company)
- Two Football fixtures against UK teams for boys
- Two Football fixtures against local or UK teams for girls
- Netball Fixtures / Tournament
- Two Professional football & netball coaching sessions
- Day Excursion to Udine
- Pizza night, disco night and presentation with medals
- Beach games
- Waterpark in resort

The tour has been organised by *activ4* School Tour Specialists (www.activ4.com), a fully bonded tour operator.

Please type the following address into google to watch a video of the hotel facilities:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S-su4C0JGwQ&feature=youtu.be>





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The total cost of the tour will **£625** per person and will be spread over 11 payments, across 12 months as identified in the schedule below. The initial deposit of £100 is required to secure your child's place, then a further £50 is required by the 4th of **each** month (except August), with a final payment of £75 due in November 2018.

Payment no	Amount due	Date	Payment no	Amount due	Date
Deposit	£100	4th December 2017			
1	£50	4 th January 2018	6	£50	4 th June 2018
2	£50	4 th February 2018	7	£50	4 th July 2018
3	£50	4 th March 2018	8	£50	4 th September 2018
4	£50	4 th April 2018	9	£50	4 th October 2018
5	£50	4 th May 2018	10	£75	4 th November 2018
			Total: £625		

All payments must be made via Parent Pay, where you can pay using your debit / credit card, you can also make smaller / larger payments if you require, however, please ensure that a minimum of £50 is paid by the 4th of each month. Any ParentPay queries can be emailed to finance@sjfchs.org.uk.

If you would like your son/daughter to go on this trip, please complete the attached form and return to the Trips Box. Deposits must be paid via Parent pay by Monday 4th December 2017. Places are limited, so if the trip is oversubscribed then a random selection will be made after the 4th December 2017. (Deposits will be returned to a non-successful applicant via Parent Pay). If your son/daughter is successful in gaining a place on the trip, then the deposit is non-refundable.

Please be aware that there will be other trips offered to this year group in Year 8. A History trip to Normandy will take place in July 2018 and it is possible there will be an outdoor adventure trip. There is no expectation that a student must go on any trip, however, we want to you to be aware of other opportunities for planning and budgeting purposes.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the school.

Yours faithfully

Mr Aidan Pass
Head of PE
Tour Party Leader





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Please complete this form and return it to the trips box by **Friday 4th December 2017**.

I would like my child to go on the Sports Tour to Italy and have paid the £100 deposit on ParentPay.

Name of Child Class

Sport: (please tick the sport that your son / daughter wishes to compete in)

Boys Football	<input type="checkbox"/>
Girls Football	<input type="checkbox"/>
Girls Netball	<input type="checkbox"/>

Signed: parent / guardian Date

Parent / Guardian information:	
Parent / guardian contact name:	
Parent / guardian contact number:	
Parent / guardian email address:	
Student information:	
Child's date of birth:	
Child's full name on passport:	
Type of passport: (i.e – British)	
Swimming Ability:	
Dietary needs:	
Medical needs:	



Sample Itinerary

Destination: Italy

Day 1

Depart from school and head to Dover where you will cross the channel to Calais travelling overnight to the resort of Lignano Sabbiadoro. Make sure you take your favourite DVD's with you to enjoy throughout the journey!

Day 2

On arrival at the Bella Italia Village, the Activ4 team will assist you with check in to ensure that there are no problems. This purpose built sports resort is a perfect location for school groups. Set in 60 hectares of pine forest it also has over a kilometer of its own beach. As with all areas of Activ4 programmes, evening entertainments will be carefully planned for your group.

Day 3

Your group will start each day with a buffet breakfast before heading out for the day's activities. Coaching sessions will commence in the morning, there are three football centres, four basketball courts, a spectacular indoor stadium for netball and an Olympic swimming pool. Our professional and experienced activ4 coaches really know how to work the students and your first session is sure to excite them all. The first fixtures get underway in late afternoon or early evening and where possible it's always a bonus for teams to watch each other play. In between sessions groups can enjoy relaxing at the onsite water park or take a relaxing swim. Round off your day with a traditional pizza night in resort.

Day 4

Today gives your group the chance to visit the gastronomic capital of Friuli, Udine. Its medieval centre is set against a backdrop of Venetian arches, Grecian statues and Roman columns and there are numerous little cafes to sit out and grab a coffee whilst watching the world go by. For sports tours the highlight of the day is a tour of the Stadio Friuli, known now as the Dacia Arena, which is the home of Serie A team Udinese. Only opened in 2016, this is one of the few stadiums in Italy which is actually owned by the club and your group can enjoy a behind the scenes tour. Back from a busy day of culture and sporting excellence it might be just the opportunity to change pace and hit the beach. Those not wanting to relax on the sun beds might find themselves drawn to one of the 15 beach volleyball courts. Alternatively you could take a walk into town.

Day 5

Back to sport this morning with your final coaching session where our coaches' will help the students prepare for today's games. Prior to departure your tour manager will discuss the format and the standard of opposition required in order to get the most out of your tour. The students will have acclimatised to their surroundings and will be keen to put in a good performance later on in the day for the final fixtures and tournament finals. As it's the final night what better way to round off your tour than with a Presentation Night and Disco which will be hosted by the Activ4 team, so tonight everyone will gather together for the final celebrations and farewell.

Day 6

Unfortunately all good things come to an end and today you return to the UK. After breakfast it's time to check out and board your coach for the overnight journey home.

Day 7

On arrival in Calais you will set sail to Dover and travel back to school. The tour officially ends when you get back to the UK, but with a trip this great we are sure that it will live long in the memory...

