

10 January 2025

Dear Parents/Carers

We are delighted to invite our current Year 9 students to take part in trip to Madrid, Spain's beautiful capital city, during the February half-term break in 2026 - at which time they will be in Year 10. We shall be departing on Saturday 14 February and returning on Wednesday 18 February 2026.

The trip is organised via the well-known organisers NST, who provide a City Representative to welcome us to the city (and to offer support if required), and an online portal for families to access information about the trip and a facility to track the journey. Mrs Magowan has led a trip to Madrid before and enjoyed the way you can explore the city on foot and how accessible and safe the centre of the city is.

The total cost of the trip is £1,020, which includes an initial deposit of £150 payable by Friday 31 January 2025 via ParentPay. An interim deposit of £150 will be then required at the end of March, with the balance payable by end November 2025. The cost of the trip is based on 20 participants although it will be lower if we are able to recruit our maximum number of 30 students. As flights are not available for purchase until 11 months prior to travel, we have included a margin to cover higher-than-expected prices.

The trip includes:

- Return flights
- Four nights B&B accommodation
- 2 x buffet dinners
- A three-course meal at a restaurant
- Spanish cookery lesson and meal with recipe book
- 'Madrid 2026 personalised hoodie

Trip highlights include:

- Visit to Bernabeu Stadium
- Visit to the spectacular Royal Palace
- Visits to the Prado and Reina Sofia Museums
- Visit to Casa de Campo Park – with amusements and cable car
- A Flamenco show
- Visit to Plaza Mayor square and El Rastro flea market

We are limited to 30 places and priority will be given to students who intend to take GCSE Spanish. Remaining places will be decided by ballot and not on a first-come-first-served basis.



If you would like to sign up your child for a place, please complete the form below and attend the Madrid trip meeting on Wednesday 15 January 2025 in the hall from 6-7pm.

We look forward to telling you more about the trip on at the meeting.

Yours faithfully

Mrs L Magowan
Subject Leader of Modern Foreign Languages

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Ref: MADRID2026/01 - Please return to the school office

Student name: Tutor Group: 9..... Date:

Parent/Carer name: Parent/Carer signature:

My child intends to choose to study Spanish GCSE: Y / N

Please select:

I will attend the meeting on Wednesday 15 January 2025 at 6pm

I am interested in a place but cannot attend the meeting

