

Overseas and Residential Trips

2026 - 2028

Clevedon School



Our Aims

At Clevedon School, we believe in supporting our students to develop holistically, including playing their part as global citizens. As well as exposure to different cultures, politics and beliefs through the curriculum and wider school life, we are committed to providing opportunities to travel, adding first-hand experiences to that enjoyed in school.

Included in this brochure are a range of current and proposed overseas and residential trips that we intend to offer to our students over the coming two years. Due to the deliberate extended period of notification provided in this programme, allowing families to plan ahead, final details and arrangements may vary once trips are launched. These opportunities compliment Clevedon's extensive range of day visits which are promoted throughout the year in collaboration with the curriculum, clubs and enrichment activities and the House Championship.

For further details please contact the named trip leader or Mr M Davies:
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Our Vision

With our residential and overseas experiences we have purposefully designed a programme of unique opportunities that will fulfil students' natural thirst for global curiosity and exploration.

Through offering these packages students may take advantage of adventures that may otherwise not be possible as a family, and which will create a love for travel and exploration, whilst forming lifelong memories.

We are also determined that all students should have the opportunity to benefit from these experiences and to ensure the programme is fully inclusive and available to all members of our community. For further details please see the final page of this programme.

At the same time, mindful of the environmental impact that aspects of the travel industry may create, we make every effort to undertake our journeys using low-carbon alternatives and are committed to carbon off-set initiatives.

Residential Trip Overviews



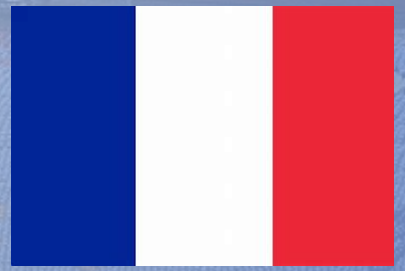
Cultural & Enrichment **Netherlands**



Language and Cultural Trips **Spain**



Auschwitz Historical Trip **Poland**



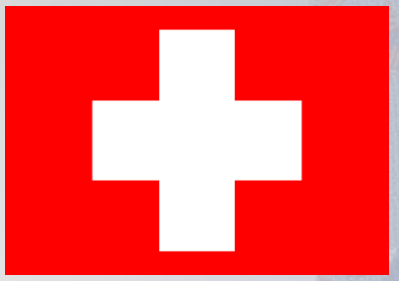
Language and Culture Trips **France**



Historical and Cultural Trips **Germany**



Outward Bound Adventure **Wales**



Physics Enrichment **Switzerland**



Skiing Experience **Andorra**



Eco-Adventure **Iceland**



Cultural and Enrichment **Belgium**



American Adventure **USA**



Chinese Cultural Trip **China**

Please note, some trips listed have not been finalised and the details shown are samples and therefore, subject to change.

Cultural Trip to Lille - France

Key Information

Trip location: Lille, France
Trip date: November 2026
Launch date: Term 4 2026
Trip duration: 2 Days
Year groups: Yrs 12 – 13
Max student numbers: 40
Estimated cost: £230
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Ms Davies



Aim:
This 2 day trip to Lille, France is an opportunity for students to experience the Christmas Markets in the French town. Students will get the opportunity to experience French culture, a typical French Market shopping, sample French cuisine and speak the language. They will visit the French supermarket 'Auchen' for supplies on the way home.











Lille

Lille is a vibrant northern French city blending French and Flemish influences, with charming cobbled streets, historic architecture, and a lively food and café culture. Each winter, its Christmas market at Place Rihour transforms the centre into a festive village of wooden chalets selling crafts, treats with twinkling lights, a Ferris wheel, and a cosy atmosphere.

Skiing Pyrenees - Andorra

Key Information

Trip location: Grandvalira, Andorra
Trip date: Easter 2027
Launch: Term 4 2026
Trip duration: 7 Nights
Year groups: Yrs. 8-10
Max student numbers: 40
Cost: £1650
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leaders: Mrs Barrett



Sample itinerary

Day 1
Transfer to UK airport
Flight to Barcelona
Transfer to resort
Check into your accommodation
Ski fitting - collect your skis, boots, poles
Delicious evening meal to start your week off with a bang!
Relax

Day 2-6
Breakfast ready for the day ahead
Morning ski lessons
Lunch to recharge the batteries
Afternoon session of ski lessons
Dinner, time to replenish missing calories!
Après ski activities

Day 8
Breakfast
Transfer to airport
Depart for the airport
Arrive back to the UK



Trip Details Include:

Students will receive 25 hours of expert ski instruction (5 hours for 5 days)
Students will be placed in ability designated groups (beginner, intermediate or advanced), following a ski assessment led by the instructors.
Students will progress across the range of slopes as their skills advance, with great technical challenge and instruction.



Grandvalira is the **largest ski area in the Pyrenees**, located in Andorra, offering over **215 km of skiable terrain** across seven sectors, including Canillo, Soldeu, and Pas de la Casa. The resort features **70 lifts** and a variety of trails suitable for all skill levels, making it an ideal destination for both beginners and experienced skiers.

Lava and Ice - Iceland

Key Information

Location: Iceland
Trip date: Easter 2027
Launched: Term 6 2026
Trip duration: 4 Nights
Year groups: 6th Form
Estimated Cost: £1300
Frequency: Biennially
Trip Leader: Miss Clarke



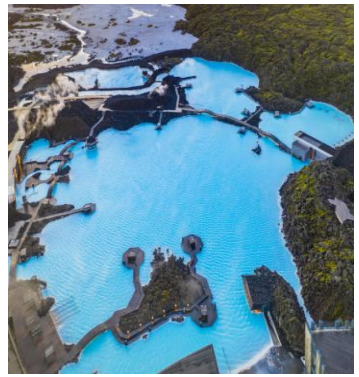
Trip Itinerary

- The South Shore
- Waterfalls of Seljalandsfoss and Skogarfoss
- The Lava Centre
- Reynisfjara beach
- Golden circle
- The Secret lagoon
- Gulfoss
- The Great Geyser
- National Park









Iceland

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This five-day visit offers an unforgettable chance to experience Iceland's extraordinary landscapes, geology, and culture first-hand from thundering waterfalls and black sand beaches to geothermal wonders and the famous Golden Circle and South Shore.

This trip is designed to bring classroom learning to life. Students will explore volcanic and glacial environments, visit a geothermal power plant, and walk in the footsteps of Viking settlers. It promises to be both a rich educational experience and an adventure they will remember for years to come.

A-level Biology Field Trip - Wales

Key Information

Trip location: Pembrokeshire, Wales
Trip date: May 2027
Launch date: Term 1, 2026
Trip duration: 3 days
Year group: Year 12 A-level biology students
Estimated Cost: £350
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Ms Perry









Purpose:

This trip to a Field Studies Council Centre provides students with a chance to carry out hands-on practical field work such as barnacle feeding, small mammal trapping, species identification and sampling techniques, that will support and strengthen their A-level studies.





Pembrokeshire, Wales

Towards the end of Year 12, students travel for 2 nights to Dale Fort, a Field Studies Council Centre in beautiful Pembrokeshire, where they learn from expert tutors, as well as have opportunity to complete assessed practical work.

The highlight of the trip is an evening boat trip around Skomer Island, to view over 40,000 breeding puffins, as well as other bird species (and sometimes even seals and dolphins!)

French Language Immersion - France

Key Information

Trip location: St. Omer, France
Trip date: June 2027
Launch Date: Term 1 2026
Trip duration: 5 days
Year groups: Yr. 8 French students
Max student numbers: 40
Estimated Cost: £690
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leaders: Ms. Pritchett













Trip details include:

- Return coach travel and exclusive use of the coach while in France;
- Ferry channel crossings;
- Full board accommodation in a Chateau d'Ebblinghem in St Omer;
- A wide range of activities at the Chateau, cooking, food tasting, quiz night and interacting with tour guides in French;
- Excursions including visit to the Nausicaa aquarium in Boulogne-Sur-Mer, town trail, snail farm, bakery experience;
- A study booklet and language learning challenges throughout the trip.

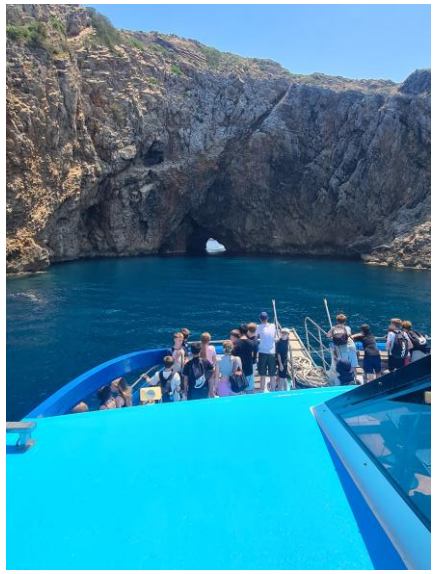
St Omer

An opportunity for students studying French Language and Food Technology to immerse themselves in French culture with a foodie twist. Practice speaking with native French speakers, visit the Opal coast and experience French customs and food.

Spanish Language Immersion - Spain

Key Information

Trip location: Catalunya
Trip date: June 2027
Launched: Term 6 2026
Trip duration: 7 days
Year group: Yr. 8 Spanish students
Max student numbers: 50
Estimated Cost: £800
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Ms Pritchett







Purpose:

To enable students to connect to the Spanish language and culture, through linguistic activities, exposure to foreign customs, and exploration of landmarks and everyday settings.

Trip Details Include:

Return coach journey to Mas Pages activity centre, onsite adventure activities, onsite Spanish speaking activity leaders, daily Spanish lessons, day trips to Barcelona, Camp Nou and Empuries, Medes Islands boat trip as well as Flamenco and cooking classes.

Catalunya

Catalunya is a spectacular study in contrasts, from the soaring peaks of the Pyrenees to the sparkling blue water of the Mediterranean's shallow coves. With Barcelona as its capital and bordering Andorra, France and the Mediterranean with the Costa Brava coastline Catalunya is a vibrant and beautiful location to absorb Spanish culture.

A-level Geography Field Trip - Somerset

Key Information

Trip location: Nettlecombe Court FSC
Trip date: June 2027
Launch date: Term 1, 2026
Trip duration: 3 days
Year group: Year 12 Geography students
Estimated Cost: £360
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Mr Battista/ Miss Killingbeck



Purpose:

This residential trip is designed to equip students with the essential fieldwork skills and how to construct their own independent investigation. Every stage of the process, from developing research questions and designing data collection methods to primary data collection, analysis, and drawing conclusions.







Nettlecombe Court, Somerset

Towards the end of Year 12, students travel for 2 nights to Nettlecombe Court, a Field Studies Council Centre in beautiful West Somerset, where they learn from expert tutors, as well as have opportunity to plan, prepare and collect primary and secondary data for their assessed practical work.

The trip will involve day trips to Minehead and Watchet where students decide if they want to pursue a physical or human based project. It will involve them gaining experience of a large variety of data capture techniques.

Historical Realisation - Germany

Key Information

Trip location: Berlin, Germany
Trip date: June 2027
Launch date: Term 6 2026
Trip duration: 5 days
Year group: Yr. 10
Max student numbers: 50
Estimated Cost: £900
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Mr W Davis









Trip Details Include:

Action packed trip to the most important sites of Berlin during WWII, the Holocaust and the Cold War. Perfect for a better understanding of our GCSE History courses on the Cold War and Germany 1918 – 1939. Sites include:

- Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp
- Hoenschonhausen Stasi Prison
- Topography of Terror museum
- German Resistance Memorial Centre
- Holocaust Memorial
- Berlin Wall Memorial
- Checkpoint Charlie
- Reichstag tour
- DDR museum
- Berlin TV Tower

Berlin

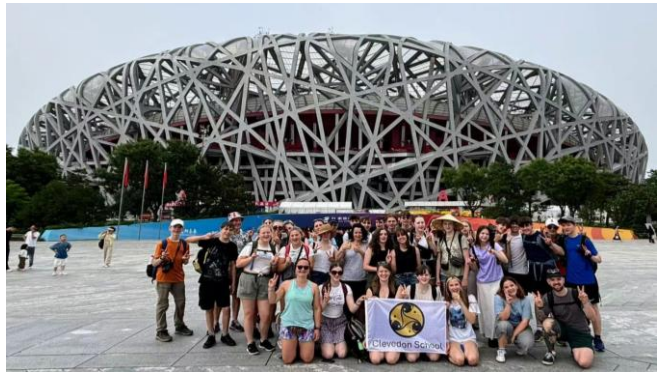
Berlin is the capital and largest city of Germany by both area and population. Its 3.7 million inhabitants make it the European Union's most populous city, according to population within city limits. One of Germany's sixteen constituent states, Berlin is surrounded by the State of Brandenburg and contiguous with Potsdam, Brandenburg's capital.

Mandarin Excellence - China

Key Information

Trip location: China
Trip date: July 2027
Launched: Term 4 2026
Trip duration: 11 days
Year groups: Yrs. 8-11 (studying Mandarin)
Max student numbers: 30
Estimated cost: Heavily subsidised to reduce to £2250 for families
Frequency: To be Reviewed
Trip Leader: Ms Cordwell





Trip Details Include:

- Students will have the opportunity to consolidate their Mandarin school-based learning with a cultural and historical visit to China.
- Three centre trip – Beijing, Xi'An and Shanghai
- visits to local historical and cultural places of interest
- activities with local Chinese students















China

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China, which is considered one of the cradles of civilization, is a country in East Asia. With a population exceeding 1.4 billion, it is the world's second-most populous country. With ancient history, stunning landscapes, rich culture, and modern cities, China has something for everyone. Visitors can enjoy the magnificent Forbidden City and the Temple of Heaven in Beijing, marvel at the Terracotta Army and the ancient city walls in Xi'an, admire the Buddhist art and the sandstone cliffs in the Mogao Grottoes, or relax in the tranquil gardens and lakes of the Summer Palace. China is also home to some of the world's most spectacular wonders, such as the Great Wall, the Yangtze River, the Yellow Mountains, and the Panda reserves.

Auschwitz - Poland

Key Information

Trip location: Auschwitz, Poland
Trip date: 2026-27
Launch date: TBC
Trip duration: 1 day
Year groups: Sixth Form
Max student numbers: 4
Estimated Cost: £200
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leaders: Mrs Carrington











Preparation and Trip details:

1. Orientation: Hear a Holocaust survivor speak, learn about pre-war Jewish life and prepare for the visit.

2. Visit Poland for one day to tour authentic sites and museum exhibits.

3. Follow-up: Reflect on the visit and the contemporary relevance of the lessons of the Holocaust.

4. Next steps: Design and carry out a plan to spread the lessons and take action.

Auschwitz

KL Auschwitz was the largest of the German Nazi concentration camps and extermination centers. Over 1.1 million men, women and children lost their lives here. This trip provides students the opportunity to reflect on the mistakes of our past and consider the positive steps that can form a better future. The trip is heavily subsidised by the Holocaust Educational Trust. The expectation is students become a Holocaust Educational Ambassador.

Enrichment trip to Holland

Key Information:

Departing: July 2027
Year Group: 7
Launch date: Sept 2026
Duration: 4 days/ 3 nights
Board basis: Full board
Transport: Coach
Price per person: est £510
Trip Leads: Mrs Carrington and Mrs Burnell











Amsterdam

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Stay in a sustainable eco-hostel just a short walk from the stunning sand dunes of Noordwijk as you explore the best of the Netherlands. Discover the fascinating story of Anne Frank in Amsterdam, stroll along the beautiful canals to the world-famous Van Gogh Museum, enjoy a picnic in Vondelpark, and experience the city from the water on a canal cruise. You'll also visit the traditional village of Zaanse Schans to see iconic Dutch windmills and learn how delicious Dutch cheese is made. To top it all off, spend an unforgettable day at one of Europe's biggest theme parks in the north-east of Holland, with over 40 rides, from gentle water attractions to thrilling, one-of-a-kind roller coasters!

Outward Bound Adventure - Wales

Key Information

Trip location: Ogwen Cottage, North Wales
Trip date: Summer 2027
Launch: TBC
Trip duration: 5 Nights
Year groups: Year 9
Max student numbers: 24
Estimated Cost: £800
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: TBC















Ogwen Cottage Centre sits in the dramatic foothills of Glyderau and Yr Wyddfa (Snowdon), where rugged peaks rise straight from the valley floor. You don't have to go far to feel a world away. Step outside Ogwen Cottage and you're surrounded by lakes, woodlands and mountains. It's a place full of new sights, new sounds, and new experiences – all waiting just beyond the doorstep.. Every day brings something new. Each challenge builds confidence, teamwork and self-awareness – with the mountains as your classroom

French Language Immersion - Nice

Key Information

Trip location: South of France
Trip date: October Half term 2027
Launch date: TBC
Trip duration: 5 Days
Year groups: Yrs 10 – 13, GCSE and A Level French students
Max student numbers: 30
Estimated cost: £750
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Mrs Abrahams



Aim:
This language immersion trip is designed for GCSE and A-Level students to explore France's rich cultural heritage in the South of France, as well as to deepen their understanding of the French language through targeted lessons, challenges and guided visits covering several topics within the taught curriculum.







Nice

The deep blue waters of the Cote d'Azur are the dramatic backdrop for elegant Nice, the cultural capital of the French Riviera, set on the Baie des Anges (Bay of Angels).**Nice** is the second-largest **French** city on the Mediterranean coast and second-largest city in the Provence-Alpes-Côte d'Azur region after Marseille.

Spanish Language Immersion - Spain

Key Information

Trip location: Madrid
Trip date: October Half Term 2027
Launch date: Term 1 2026
Trip duration: 5 days
Year group: Yrs. 10-13 Spanish Students
Max student numbers: 30
Estimated Cost: £800
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Mr Moss



Purpose:

The extended visit to Madrid, Spain's capital, will enable students to connect to the language and culture that they are studying, through linguistic activities, exposure to foreign customs, and exploration of landmarks and everyday settings.













Madrid

As the capital of Spain Madrid has excellent art museums, phenomenal food, enormous parks and Europe's largest palace, but its inclusive atmosphere is what really makes the city soar.

Due to its year-round warm climate you will always enjoy a warm welcome and an inexhaustible array of culture, food and entertainment in Madrid.

A Level Physics Geneva - Switzerland

Key Information

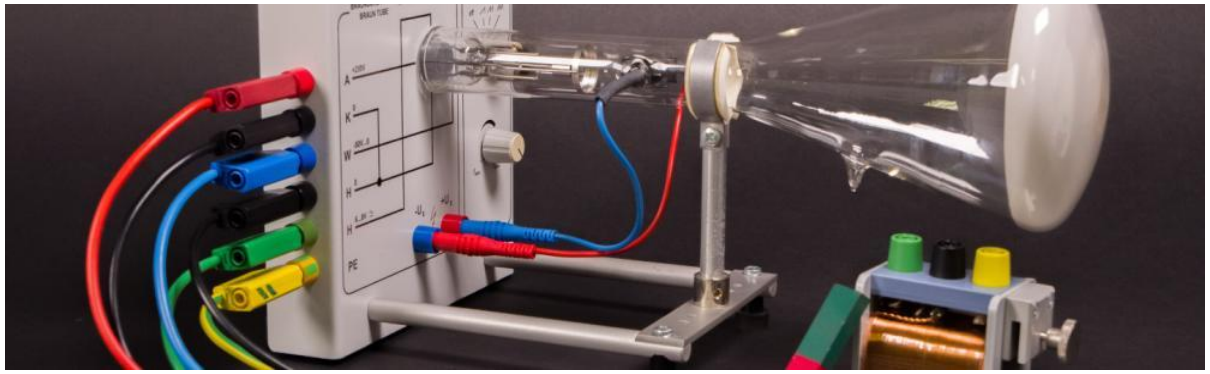
Location: Geneva, Switzerland
Trip date: February 2028
Launched: Term 1 2027
Trip duration: 2 Nights
Year groups: A Level Physics and Maths
Estimated Cost: £400
Frequency: Biennially
Trip Leader: Mr Smith





Trip Details Include:

- Guided tour of CERN facilities, led by working scientists
- Electron-beam workshop delivered by CERN scientists
- CERN Gateway exhibits, including live science show
- Visit to History of Science museum
- Opportunity to explore old Geneva







Geneva

Geneva is a beautiful Swiss city known for its lakeside views, international organizations, and rich history. This exciting school trip includes a visit to **CERN**, the world's largest particle physics laboratory. Students will learn about cutting-edge research and the mysteries of the universe through interactive exhibits and expert-led tours.
Beyond science, students will explore Geneva's charming Old Town, enjoy a boat trip on Lake Geneva.
It's a unique opportunity to experience science, culture, and international cooperation in one unforgettable destination.

American Adventure - USA

Key Information

Location: Washington DC and New York
Trip date: Easter 2028
Launched: Term 2 2026
Trip duration: 7 Nights
Year groups: Sixth Form
Estimated Cost: £2000
Frequency: Biennially
Trip Leader: Mr Davies





Trip Details Include:
White House Visitor Centre
National Mall – Inc. Lincoln, Jefferson and Washington Memorials.
Capitol Building & Library of Congress
Empire State Building
United Nations tour
MOMA (Museum of Modern Art)
Statue of Liberty cruise
9/11 Memorial Museum













Washington

Washington DC and New York are America's two most iconic cities. As the Nation's capitol Washington is revered as the centre of the political system and home to the US President, at the White House. It also proudly exhibits the country's famous National Mall, celebrating former presidents with the Lincoln, Washington, Franklin D. Roosevelt and Lincoln Memorials.

New York City is the most famous and biggest in the country. With so much to do and see it epitomises US culture and is a must visit location for anyone's bucket list.

Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Bronze

Date: Terms 4-6 every year
Launch Date: Term 2 every year
Trip Duration: 2 Days, 1 Night
Year Group : Year 9
Estimated Cost: £200
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader : T Battista







Benefits for Clevedon School Students

Utilising our Local Landscape: Clevedon students have the "home-field advantage." Starting the Bronze award in the Mendips allows students to explore the beautiful North Somerset landscape that is right on our doorstep, turning familiar hills into a training ground for adventure.

•**Strengthening the Clevedon Community:** Through the **Volunteering** section, our students provide hundreds of hours of service to local charities, shops, and primary schools, strengthening the ties between the school and the town.

•**Developing "Clevedon Character":** The award aligns perfectly with school values of kindness and brilliance. It encourages students to support their peers through difficult climbs and long days, fostering a unique sense of school spirit outside the classroom.

Purpose: To introduce students to the fundamentals of navigation, campcraft, and teamwork. This level focuses on building confidence in the outdoors while completing a self-sufficient journey through the rolling hills of the Mendips.

•**Lifelong Friendships:** There is no better way to build lasting bonds than by navigating the Bristol Channel views or the Welsh peaks together. It creates a shared history for Clevedon year groups that lasts long after results day.

Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Silver

Trip Date: Teams 5-6 every year
Launch Date: Term 3 every year
Trip Duration: 3 Days, 2 Nights
Year Group: Year 10
Estimated Cost £300
Frequency : Annual
Trip Leader: Mr Battista








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•**Preparation for Sixth Form and Beyond:** For those looking toward Clevedon Sixth Form or university, the DofE is a gold-standard addition to UCAS personal statements, demonstrating that our students are well-rounded, proactive, and capable of handling responsibility.

Purpose: A significant step up in challenge, requiring students to navigate more complex terrain across Exmoor and Dartmoor. Teams must demonstrate increased independence and resilience over a three-day trek.

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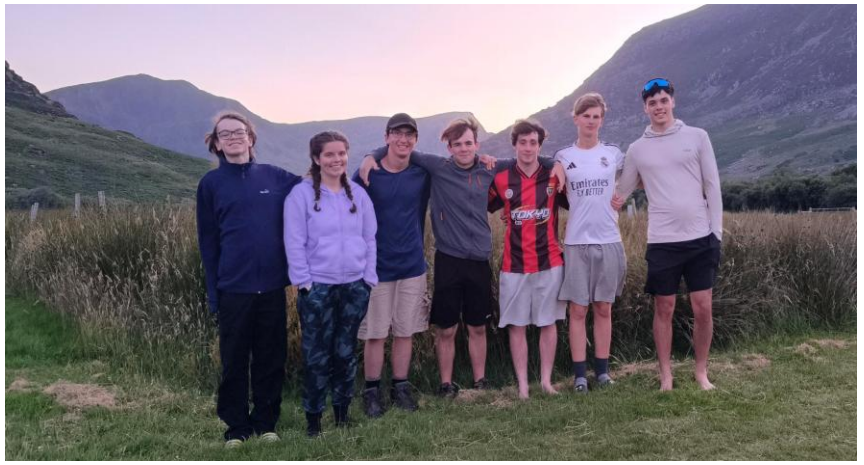
Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme

Gold

Trip Date: May/July every year
Launch Date: Term 1 every year
Trip Duration: 4 Days, 3/4 Nights
Year Group: Sixth Form
Estimated Cost: £500
Frequency: Annual
Trip Leader: Mr Battista







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•**Preparation for the Challenges ahead:** For those considering university, the DofE is a gold-standard addition to UCAS personal statements, demonstrating that our students are well-rounded, proactive, and capable of handling responsibility.

Purpose: The ultimate DofE challenge. Set in the "Wild Country" of the Brecon Beacons and Snowdonia, participants must be fully self-reliant. Gold requires peak physical fitness and advanced navigation to conquer the peaks.

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Further Information

Method of Payment

All overseas and residential trips will be offered with a Parent Pay payment plan.

Trips will be launched, following an initial Expression of Interest, with a published Parent Pay instalment plan which, in general, will cover the period between student sign up and 12 weeks before the date of travel. This is to minimise monthly payment instalments by maximising the payment period. However, families can opt to make instalments at any time **before the payment instalment deadlines**, including paying off the balance in full.

Students in receipt of Pupil Premium funding may be eligible for extended Parent Pay payment plans and / or alternative forms of support. Any alternative instalment plan or request for support must be considered through discussions with the Pupil Premium Lead and Trip Leader.

By placing **your non-refundable deposit**, families are liable for the costs of the trip unless the place can be taken by another student. Any refund will be subject to costs incurred by the school from the travel company/suppliers.

Due to domestic and international challenges, the travel industry constantly faces volatility in terms of fuel and other related costs. As a consequence, prices can fluctuate significantly and whilst we make every effort to ensure true value for our students, through rigorous travel company comparison processes, the nature of arranging trips months and sometimes years in advance may lead to changes in quoted prices during the lead up time.

Oversubscription

Where trips are oversubscribed students will be considered in the following order: those who have never been on an overseas or residential trip; those who have booked to go on their first trip; those who have already been on a trip(s). We will also consider the age range for a trip i.e. if a student has not been on a trip before and has reached the maximum age for that trip, they will take priority over younger students who will have the opportunity to reapply in future years.

If there are more students than spaces when we reach a tier, then an impartial lottery of names will be held. All students who are unsuccessful will be placed on a reserve list. Reserve lists provide some flexibility if students need to withdraw under extenuating circumstances.

Eligibility

All students must be registered with the school when the trip takes place (Yr11 and Yr13 are registered to August 31st of that academic year) and are therefore subject to school rules and sanctions whilst on the trip. To ensure the safety and success of every trip, for both students and accompanying staff, students' approach to learning, between trip launch and departure, will be regularly evaluated. Any student who does not meet the behavioural and attitude expectations of Clevedon School will jeopardise their involvement. As trips sit outside the statutory curriculum, the school and those with responsibilities for specific trips reserve the right to deny a student access to a trip on the basis of past behaviours and/or potential risk. All students and their families will be expected to sign a Code of Conduct before the trip commences.