



Dear Parent / Carer,

Football and Netball Tour to Platja D’Aro, Spain – Easter 2020 (5th – 9th April)

After the success of last year’s football and netball tour, the PE department will be running their next tour to Spain in Easter 2020, for current year 7 and 8 students. This will be a fabulous experience for the children offering exciting opportunities for team building and a chance to immerse themselves in the local Spanish culture.

We have organised a packed itinerary, which you can find attached, with plenty of extra activities to keep everyone occupied! The trip will include;

- Return flights + transfers
- 4 nights full board accommodation at the Caleta Palace Hotel 3***or similar
- Training tops
- Professional football and netball coaching sessions (with UEFA B Licensed Coaches)
- International football fixtures against Spanish and UK opposition
- Netball tournament against UK Teams
- Day excursion to Barcelona (including a tour of the Nou Camp Stadium and Museum)
- Disco, karaoke and bowling (1 game) nights
- Medals and certificates for all participants

The tour has been organised by *Activ4 School Tours*, who are an ATOL bonded school travel specialist (www.activ4.com).

This year we are able to open this trip to 50 students. Places will be allocated based on student’s behaviour, commitment to after school clubs and school teams. Once the numbers are confirmed, we will have a final price, but we estimate the cost to be around £850. In order to finalise our decision and provide you with accurate information on the cost and logistics, we are looking to ensure 50 students would be interested in attending the tour. As you can imagine, the interest for this trip is key for us to finalise the finer details, so please return your reply slips as soon as possible.

If you require further information, please contact myself, but in the meantime, please ask your child to return their reply slip. This reply slip does not mean you have to follow through with payment; it is merely to get a good idea of numbers. Once interest is confirmed I will let students know if they have been accepted onto the trip or whether they are on the waiting list. A WisePay account will then be set up and you will then be required to pay a deposit of £200 by the 15th May and full payment by the end of October 2019. There will be a parental information evening on Thursday 25th April at 6pm for those who are interested or would like more information about the trip!

Yours faithfully,
Mr S Tipton
Tour Party Leader

Please complete tear-off slip and return to Mr Tipton (in the PE office) ASAP.

- I would like to confirm my interest in the football tour (please tick).
- I would like to confirm my interest in the netball tour (please tick).
- I would like to attendance the parental evening on **Thursday 25th April at 6pm** (please tick).

Name of Child Tutor Group

Signed parent / guardian Date



Platja D’Aro



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Sample Itinerary

The itinerary below is a sample and is not the final timetable for tour!

You will depart from a UK airport bound for Spain. On arrival at your destination airport you will be greeted by your activ4 representative and transferred to the Caleta Palace hotel in the coastal resort of Platja D'Aro. Your rep will assist you with check in to ensure it runs smoothly.

Day 1

Located right on the beach and with direct access to one of the most beautiful coves on the Costa Brava, the complex features great facilities which will help you enjoy your stay; including a swimming pool, sun terrace, internet area, games room, and a restaurant with buffet service and Mediterranean cuisine on the menu. The tree lined promenade has lots of sophisticated shops restaurants and bars which makes it one of the most popular resorts on the Costa Brava. School groups have been coming to the resort for twenty years which is testament to how much it has to offer.

The first day will round off with a visit to the Magic Park Amusements. As well as the latest simulator arcade games, you will find bucking broncos and indoor dodgem cars.

Day 2

Each day will start with a buffet breakfast before heading out for the day's activities. Coaching sessions will commence in the morning and one of the great things about touring in Spain is that they excel in so many different sports so their sporting facilities are superb ranging from fantastic 3G pitches just a short distance away at Aro and Calonge. Our 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 late afternoon or early evening and where possible it's always a bonus for teams to watch each other play.

After the first of your fixtures you will enjoy a game of Ten-Pin bowling at 'D'Aro Bowling alley'.

Today you will head to the bustling cosmopolitan city of Barcelona. Your group will take a tour around Europe's largest football stadium, the world famous Camp Nou (Barcelona FC). Your tour of Camp Nou starts with the visiting teams changing room and a walk through the famous tunnel onto the pitch to enjoy a panoramic view of the stadium. You will also visit the TV Room, Press Room, and the Presidential Box.

Day 3

You will also get to visit the impressive Barcelona FC Football Museum where you can take a look back over the long history of the club, look at the photographs on display, admire the trophies, sports equipment and team kits from over the years.

You will finish your time in Barcelona by heading to Las Ramblas for some shopping time. The students will love the shops, stalls and street entertainers and don't forget to visit La Boqueria Market where the colours and activity are stunning.

This evening you will enjoy a fixture against local Spanish opposition.

You will finish your day with a karaoke night.

Day 4

Your final coaching sessions will take place during the morning where our coaches' will help the students prepare for today's games.

During the afternoon you may take a recovery session back at the hotel swimming pool or at the beach.

During the late afternoon/early evening you will play your final round of 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.

Day 5

Unfortunately all good things come to an end and today you return to the UK. After breakfast it's time to check out, collect your packed lunch and head to the airport for the return flight home.